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The Enduring World (Universal Bible Sunday)

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Universal Bible Sunday will be celebrated widely on Sunday, December 12. This year the observance finds the world calling for the Scriptures with an eagerness possibly never equalled in history. Never likewise in recent years, if ever, was the Bible more difficult to secure in many parts of the world.

Because of the commercial publication of Bibles in this country American people do not realize that the Bible in most of the world is obtainable only from the Bible Societies on a missionary basis, the books being sold for the most part, far below their cost or freely given away.

Except in Latin America and parts of Indian and Africa the war has greatly restricted the distribution of the Scriptures. Yet in many places in Europe, the Near East, China and elsewhere, faithful missionaries and colporteurs are risking their lives to keep the Book in circulation.

The American Bible Society, acting in behalf of the Protestant churches in this essential program of both home and foreign missionary service, has prompted Universal Bible Sunday annually for many years as an occasion to pause to consider the responsibility of our country, which was born of the Bible, to see that through suitable translation, publication and distribution, the Word of God is made available to all men and especially to those who, but for the missionary concern of the church, would not be able to possess the Bible.

In the face of such obstacles as the rationing of paper, the difficulties of securing suitable binding material, the shortage of labor and transportation problems, the American Bible Society distributed throughout the world last year 8,245,629 Bibles, Testaments and portions of Scripture

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Southwestern Seminary Burns Final Note

By Ralph D. Churchill

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, burned the last remaining \$61,000 note of the institution's original \$500,000 debt Friday, November 12, in a special service held in the auditorium of Cowden Hall, where more than 700 students, alumni, visiting pastors and friends were assembled.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, former president of the Seminary struck the match to the canceled note, which was held by President Head and Dr. J. B. Tidwell, a trustee of the seminary.

The occasion marked a great day in the history of the seminary. It was described by Dr. J. E. Dillard, of Nashville, as marking the institution's "emancipation."

Dr. Tidwell paid high tribute to Dr. Scarborough when he said, "Lee Scarborough nurtured a devotion that is unsurpassed and when he came to the Seminary more was done by him to unite the Convention than was done by any other man. . . . He baptized the Seminary in the tears of his heart. . . . He has made a Baptist doctrine of cooperation."

Dr. E. D. Head declared: "It will take the heavenly record itself to reveal adequately the work of Dr. Scarborough."

Dr. Scarborough came to the stand humbly to pay tribute to the faculty, trustees, administrative force and others who have stood by the Seminary and helped bear the load through the years.

The following are some excerpts from Dr. Scarborough's address:

"In connection with freedom from debt I know joy, I expect, as no man living knows it, and I give the honor wholeheartedly, absolutely, and unreservedly to Jesus Christ who has been at the head of this institution through the years, and I would lay a crown first on His blessed head because He has led us to a wonderful place in the Kingdom of God. We have had opportunities to scale these debts, but we have refused to do so and have paid them all with interest."

An offer came at one time to cut the debt in half. Dr. Scarborough remarked, "Not so long as I live."

President Head, in closing the program, remarked, "Surely it is not the buildings, primarily, that make the institution, but the faculty and student body, and I rejoice in them. As a unit, they have given themselves to Christ and this institution to the heart of God. . . . There is a stream that flows out from it that would touch all people everywhere with its healing waters. . . . Let this be the hour of reconsecration of life so that this institution may grow the best preachers, educational directors, singers, and missionaries that can be developed under His leadership and the teaching of faithful teachers given to God's will and leadership."

Lauderdale County Orphanage Offering Totals \$6,668.85

Twenty-seven of the 32 Baptist churches in Lauderdale county reported cash contributions to the Baptist Orphanage in their Thanksgiving offerings in the amount of \$5,578.20. Thirty churches out of the 32 and three outside the county reported supplies sent in the amount of \$1,090.65 which totals \$6,668.85 in cash and supplies. The cash contributions of the churches reporting were as follows:

Arkadelphia \$22.00; Bethany \$27.00; Causeyville \$61.00; Collinsville \$5.00; Fellowship \$13.05; Hebron \$51.11; Hickory Grove \$14.35; Kewanee \$75.00; Liberty \$30.00; Long Creek \$34.64; Macedonia \$11.80; Meridian: Eighth Avenue \$81.00; Fifteenth Avenue \$381.91; First \$3,421.62; Forty-first Avenue \$275.00; Highland \$291.98; Oak Grove \$182.00; Poplar Springs \$110.00; Southside \$150.00; Midway \$76.00; Mt. Gilead \$25.00; Mt. Horeb \$37.54; Mt. Olive \$15.00; Pine Grove \$34.41; Russell \$50.16; Salem \$31.63 and Toombsville \$70.00.—Norman W. Cox, moderator.

Bible Press Of Brazil

This should have been front page news for all Baptist papers back in June of 1940. Two or three Southern Baptist missionaries, oppressed by the constant call for Bibles which could not be had, insisted that Bibles ought to be printed in Brazil. During two sessions the South Brazil Mission studied the question in prayerful earnestness. From this study was born a committee of seven members with instructions to take definite steps to print the Bible in Brazil.

The decision was forwarded to the Foreign Mission Board. An appeal was made to W. M. U. of the South for \$5,000 a year for three years with which to begin the founding of the Bible Press of Brazil.

Without a penny or a promise, except those of God to all who trust in Him, these seven missionaries made plans and resolved to print the Bible.

It is almost a legend that the W. M. U. always does more than is promised. Therefore it is no news to say that the Bible Press of Brazil received the first five thousand dollars in 1942, the second five thousand in 1943, and

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CHINA AND HER PEOPLE THE RELIGIONS OF CHINA

By T. W. Ayers
Retired Missionary

The Chinese religiously are divided into three sects—Confucianists, Buddhists and Taoists (pronounced Dowists).

In every large city there are to be found temples representing the three prevailing religions, and the Chinese are divided in their religious beliefs

just as we here in America. Here while we divide into different churches, we all head up in Jesus Christ. There they divide into Confucianism, Buddhism and Taoism and head up in ancestral worship. There they all get together in the belief that they must worship their ancestors, and that they must provide material things for the spirits of their departed loved ones. This is their real religion.

From the above statements it will be seen that the Chinese are accustomed to religious differences, and the presence of the different Christian denominations in China is not so confusing to the Chinese as some would have us believe.

Confucianism

Confucius was born 551 B. C., in Shantung Province, China, where he spent all his life, and where he was buried. He died at the age of seventy-two.

At the age of twenty-two Confucius began his career as a teacher. In 501 B. C., when he was fifty years of age, he was made governor of his village, where he brought about a striking reformation in the manners and morals of the people.

Seeing what he has accomplished in his home section he was made minister of state, and for three years he was as successful in ruling and reforming the people of all China as he had been when only a town governor. He in this short time became the idol of the people. He was not able to bring the ruler of China to indorse the great reform movements he had launched, and the breach became so wide between the two that after three years he resigned his position as minister of state; and he then continued as a private citizen to teach the people.

He was unquestionably the greatest and wisest of the Chinese philosophers, but at the time of his death he thought his life had been a failure, and never dreamed that soon after his death there would be erected a

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Sparks & Splinters

The Southern Baptist Handbook for 1943 contains a summary of Southern Baptist progress from 1940, 1941 and 1942, three years in one. It has all the features usually found in the Handbook—everything which a busy pastor or denominational reader may need in a reference book. It is beautifully printed and illustrated; has the complete register of all Southern Baptist leaders; also the ordained ministers' list revised up to August 1, 1943. All statistics have been revised and brought down to date. The volume comprises 418 pages and sells for \$1 per copy. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

Mississippi Baptists have whittled their bonded indebtedness down from \$650,000 to \$156,500, which is a mighty good showing. Baptist leaders have discovered, however, that it is much easier to get into debt via the bond issuance route than it is to get out of debt.—Jackson Daily News.

R. A. Langley, formerly pastor of the Bethesda church in Hinds county, is serving in a fine way as missionary in the Delta. During the 14 years he served as pastor at Bethesda, evangelism was the keynote, and no child, reared in the community passed beyond the junior age without making a profession of faith, for ten years. The church has a parsonage near the newly-built, enlarged church, and has only a small debt. The budget is divided 25% and 75%. N. Cockerham has been serving a long time as superintendent of the Sunday school. Mrs. C. S. Bridgers is leading the W. M. U. with fine success. The B. T. U. is one of the most zealous groups in the church. The missionary work appealed to Rev. Langley so strongly that he accepted the call, although he loved his field in Hinds county.

The Tate Street Baptist Church of Corinth, Mississippi, has been progressing in a wonderful way during the past year under the capable leadership of their pastor, Rev. Joe Cruse. There have been approximately seventy additions to the church during this time. The last few months especially have been months of growth and improvement. A live, alert Sunday school and B. T. U. have done much toward enlisting the people. Increasingly large crowds are evident at each preaching service. Sunday, November 14, there were 133 in Sunday school. The attendance for the past month has ranged from 142 to 133. Sunday evening, November 14, there were 102 in B. T. U. The increasing attendance during the past year soon presented the problem of providing more room for the people. Crowded conditions, however, will soon be relieved. A basement consisting of eight rooms and an auditorium is being built and will be ready for use in a few weeks.

Recently it was our privilege to read a letter from a man in service whose mother had given him a New Testament when he left for camp. He not only read the New Testament through, but had won several men in his company. On the preceding Sunday he had won one of the most influential men in his company. He wrote that the New Testament had been with him in forty-six countries, including the islands of the Pacific.—E. C. Routh.

Stockholm (By Wireless RNS)—It would seem that tradition and folklore had made ample provision for what the bride and groom must take with them to the wedding ceremony. However, a parish in Jutland, Denmark, has found it necessary to supplement a list of 'something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue.' Parish officials have notified bridal couples that they must bring their own fuel if they want to be married in a heated church.

Correction: In the Nov. 26 issue in the "Changes Among the Churches" column the printer omitted the words "Called and Accepted" just above the name of C. C. Sanders, Jr. Beginning with that name the 33 names following should have been listed in the "Called and Accepted" list.—Chester M. Savage.

If it is necessary to maintain contact with China in military matters, how much more important it is to keep in spiritual touch with that great nation. We must not fall China in its deepest need. The same is true of other nations, too.

Stockholm (By Wireless to RNS)—The Tabernacle Baptist Church in Oslo, Norway, has been commandeered by German occupation authorities and is being used as a warehouse. Ousted members of the church—largest of Oslo's three Baptist churches—are now holding services at a Lutheran center.

Mexico City (By Wire to RNS)—The Roman Catholic Church in Mexico became the center of a bitter controversy when members of the Mexican Revolutionary party here accused the clergy of trying to regain political power through the right wing Accion Nacional party and the Sinarquist Union.

"The Adult Bible Teacher and Leader" by Charles W. Brewbaker, nationally known minister and educational leader and former general secretary of Sunday school work for the United Brethren Church and adult specialist for the International Sunday School Association, and professor of religious education in Bonebrake Theological Seminary sells for sixty cents, in paper binding. This book is published by the Standard Printing Company, Cincinnati, Ohio. A practical workers' manual or advanced training textbook for the adult department of the church school. Contains 20 chapters dealing with such themes as adult education in the Bible, Christ as a teacher of adults, qualifications of teachers and leaders, teaching methods, the adult Bible class, recruiting and holding adults, recreation and social activities, spiritual growth, stewardship, etc.

A little book with a large interest is "An Hour With John and Betty Stam," by T. W. Engstrom, managing editor of the Christian Digest. We asked an intermediate-age girl to read this book and give her opinion. She said, I have always liked to read a story that I could live while reading it. At last I found it. It is a book but a very short one, just like your books were when you were younger. It is a sad story telling how people have tried to stop the Christians in China. It describes a beautiful romance. It is published by the Zondervan Publishing House and sells for a dime.

The Annual National Convention of Evangelists will convene in Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 26th through Jan. 2nd, at the First Baptist Church. There will be afternoon and evening sessions, all open to the public; with outstanding evangelists and gospel song directors in charge of each service. Among the noted speakers who will appear are: Bishop Titus Loew of the Methodist church and Governor Henry Schricker. Many of the most successful evangelists of the nation will be heard on this program. The Washington Hotel will be headquarters. These conventions have been held in many large cities of the U. S. and the largest buildings available have been needed to accommodate the crowds who attend. Dr. Elmer C. Miller is the director of the convention. Any further information desired may be had by addressing him at convention headquarters.

Athens, Ga.—Ensign Walter M. Landrum, USNR, former Mississippi College athlete and coach, has been transferred from U. S. Navy pre-flight school here and ordered to new duties at the Naval Air Station, New Orleans. A native of Clinton, Miss., Ensign Landrum won undergraduate honors at Mississippi College in basketball and track. From 1935 until his entrance into the navy this year he had served as assistant athletic director and head basketball coach at that institution. (Editor's note: To Choc-taws this is Melvin Landrum.)

I have been pastor of the Crosby Baptist Church only a few weeks, but a good response has been accorded our coming. The pastor's home is being renovated, a religious census of the town has been made, an increased attendance upon the Sunday school and worship services is seen, the fellowship of the church is found to be good, and the hearts and homes of the people are opened wide to us. As it is written "I have set before thee a door opened," and we desire to go all the way in as the Lord leads. Pray for us.—L. E. Smith, pastor.

When L. L. Van Houten of a Jasper, Ala., church preached on tithing the other Sunday, his sermon was forcefully illustrated. A few days before, Farmer L. R. Waldrop had driven to the church in his truck, unloaded a bale of cotton and announced it was "for the Lord" because it was the tenth bale of his harvest. Pastor Van Houten had the cotton placed before the pulpit. None could ignore the object lesson.—Protestant voice.

Cairo, Egypt: John M. King of Clinton, Miss., an American Red Cross field director for recreation who has been overseas for more than a year, was presented a commendation for meritorious service rendered "from the Battle of El Alamein to the expulsion of the enemy from Africa."

A new department has been set up in the Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tennessee, to be known as the Department of Sunday School Work. Jasper N. Barnett is to be its head. It will be of equal rank with the Department of Training Union.

Evangelist A. D. Muse, 1270 Carr Avenue, Memphis, 4, Tennessee, has an open date between the close of an eight weeks' tabernacle meeting in Gaffney, S. C., December 5 and December 19, which he would like to fill—either a two weeks' meeting or two eight days' meetings.

Rio De Janeiro—The Swedish repatriation ship Gripsholm bringing Americans and other western hemisphere nationals home from Japanese internment camps, was en route Wednesday to New York, her final port of call. The Gripsholm left Rio De Janeiro after a two-day lay-over at this port. The repatriates, who were exchanged for Japanese nationals at Mormugao, Portuguese India, on Oct. 19, had spent from eight to 21 months in Japanese internment camps. Mississippians on the Gripsholm include Miss Pearl Caldwell, Ecu; Miss Juanita Byrd, Mt. Olive and J. H. Ware, Tupelo.

Many will regret to hear of the death of Dr. F. S. Groner, former president of the College of Marshall and secretary of Baptist work in Texas.

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CONFIDENCE

When early breaks the morning,
And we arise from sleep,
May each one hear Him calling,
And know that He doth keep;
To each is portion given,
May we with single heart,
Give thanks to God in heaven,
For grace He doth impart.

Let calm and quiet gladness,
Be ours throughout each day,
Forbid all chill and sadness,
When earthly things decay;
Though friends and joys may fall us,
We press along life's road,
And mind mid tribulations,
Our peace and joy in God.

And when life's day is ending,
We find a sweet repose,
Our cares to God commending,
To Him who all need knows;
We know that mid the darkness,
His eye doth never sleep,
That He will o'er our pathway,
Untiring vigil keeps.

ERNEST O. SELLERS,
Baptist Bible Institute,
New Orleans, Louisiana,
Adapted from Count Zinzendorf

—BR—
A CONSEQUENCE

In the same village years ago
Two little boys I knew
Chose different roads to travel on,
As into man-hood they grew.

Both were happy, bright-eyed lads,
Who loved their work and play.
Upon one thing they differed—
That of how to spend the Sabbath day.

One little fellow chose such play
As could be found just here and there.
The other chose the better way,
He went to church and led in prayer.

Years later these boys met again,
A sad picture it was to behold.
One crumpled in the prison cell,
Awaiting someone to stir his soul.

The minister was the one who went
to church,
Every Sabbath day.
The crumpled form in the prison cell,
Was the one who stayed away.

MRS. C. L. CLAY.
—BR—

When every Baptist church in Mississippi is on the Glory Roll, Blue Mountain College can get out of the field. Shall it be this year? Is your church there? See page 13.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

"They . . . went everywhere preaching the Word." Acts 8:4.

All members of the Mississippi Convention Board will please be advised that the annual meeting of the Executive Committee will be held in the Convention Board office on Monday afternoon, December 6, at 2:30 o'clock. The meeting of the full Board will be held at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Mississippi, on Monday afternoon, December 6, starting at 4 o'clock. We have observed that one or two names of Board members have been inadvertently omitted by the Committee on Nominations. We shall try to get this matter straightened out in plenty of time for the annual session.

I

We had a good Convention. We would rate it at about 99.7%. That is a high mark even for Baptists.

Our God has led us into a great evangelistic emphasis. Let us give our best to it!

The Convention did a great thing in setting the stage for a great State Mission work. We believe the Convention Board will "come through" with a State Mission program that will challenge all of us.

The Convention did another great thing in setting up the whole Convention debt picture. Many conflicting statements were out about Convention debts. Many questions were asked. We know now that the \$156,500 bonds outstanding is right in statement, (of this amount \$104,000 have been called for payment December 1, 1943). We know now that we have a \$25,000 note at the bank. We know now that these two items represent all borrowed monies owed by the Convention and as handled by this office. We know now that most of our institutions are already free of debt, and the others expect to be free next year.

We have told Mississippi Baptists by the official vote of the 1943 Convention that this published report of eight (8) paragraphs constitutes our debt picture. Let us keep faith with the people by "sticking to it."

Institution and department reports were good.

The Convention by vote decided it wanted another agency in the Foundation. The same vote signified that we were willing to incur the extra expense. It also showed we wanted another field worker coming to us. It further showed that the majority felt here was a great door of opportunity. We hope it proves to be all the fondest advocates expect of it.

We are going to press on in Evangelism.

We are going to press on in New Testament Stewardship emphasis!

We are going to press on in debt paying!

We are going to press participation in Minister Retirement.

Christian Education, all Missions, and Benevolences will receive proportionate emphasis by our forces!

"Speak to the people that they go forward."

II

It was brought out forcefully by Dr. Norman W. Cox that EVERY Mississippi Baptist Church should contribute to the support of Minister Retirement. This is to be whether the pastor participates or not. It may be done by designating 3% of the pastor's salary for that purpose. Send it to this office and a page for the church will be set up on our Minister Retirement books.

Dr. Cox further led the pastors of Lauderdale county in challenging any and all other associations to beat them in leading every church in the association into doing this thing.

We are still awaiting the reports! It is a good move, an excellent emphasis!

III

Many favorable expressions have come to us regarding the Convention. We present three that are typical. They come from largely separated areas:

Dr. R. A. Springer, Dallas, Texas, writes: "My dear Friend: Let me express my appreciation for the opportunity of being in your good State Convention. It was my first privilege to be in a Mississippi Convention and I greatly enjoyed it. I particularly enjoyed your presentation of your State Mission work. It was unique and effective. The Baptists in Mississippi dearly love you, and for good reasons. I pray that you will have many more happy years in your capacity as Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Convention."

"I trust the time will come when your State will have a Brotherhood Secretary. It will be difficult to promote it in a really worthwhile way without one. Maybe some individual or group will soon make this possible."

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Nashville, writes: "I reached home this morning, and am writing you at once to say that I regard the Convention as the best Mississippi Convention I was ever in. You have done a marvelous work. There is every evidence that the Lord has led you and will lead you on."

Mr. E. D. Hurst, Laurel, far-visioned layman observes: "I am sure you are glad the Convention is of record now. To be the key man and meet all the angles in a long program, with, and for, and among four hundred Baptists in one sitting is a trying experience, but you do it with such poise and ease, and grace, that it appears like an easy task. Three cheers and high congratulations to you."

"We have the Foundation and now that we do have it I am ready to say I certainly hope it will be the big money vessel that some of our fellows have been waiting for."

"I did want to hear all that might be said about the resolution of Brother Green. I am sure it was approved. Complete the debt payment, enlarge the Sunday school and B. T. U. work just as much as possible, and keep up the district pastors' program, together with the several special meetings showered

over the state and the clinic at Clinton, ought to be a great program. I must say you have brought us a long way—and much of that way was tied down with 'dead weight.' I am sure now that our work has a better range and more definite purpose and the clouds are getting thinner. I pray that our local pastors and churches will have the leadership and vision to catch step for the 1944 goals . . . and beyond.

"Blessings on you day by day, and the grace for every task is my sincere wish and prayer."

First, we appreciate their commendation of the Convention and His work.

Second, we are strengthened by their personal words in encouragement. We do not believe any man strong enough to walk under the tasks incident to this office, but for the grace of God, and the sympathetic help of the brethren. I Cor. 13.

IV

Hearts must surely be made of stone to remain unyielding before such testimony as Miss Carolyn Madison—State Mission worker—gives in the lines below:

During a recent visit to Clear Branch church in Rankin county, it was my privilege to talk to the boys and girls at the day school. Since this is only a grammar school, the talk was made after school hours in order that the high school boys and girls might be there. The attention was perfect as we talked about calls that come to young people. Sixteen of those young people held their hands up indicating that they had never heard that first call to give themselves to the Master. The pastor saw those hands and he will do some follow-up work. This is just one of the privileges of service that come to your State Mission workers."

"Lord, lay some soul upon my heart
And love that soul through me;
And may I nobly do my part
To win that soul for Thee.

"Lord, lead me to some soul in sin
And grant that I may be
Endued with power and love to win
That soul, dear Lord, for Thee.

"To win that soul for Thee alone,
Will be my constant prayer;
That when I've reached the great white throne
I'll meet that dear one there."

We are indebted to Miss Fannie Traylor for delving into some Mississippi Baptist history and bringing out some 1898 statistics. That year Mississippi Baptists numbered 93,317. Compare that in your thinking with 300,000 today. In 1898 Mississippi Baptists gave \$8,389.50 to State Missions, and \$5,622.17 to Foreign Missions, making a grand total of \$16,224.94 for the twelve months' period.

TRUSTEES OF OUR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

(Editor's note: Below we give the names of the trustees of our educational institutions. As space permits we will give the other trustees and committees elected by the recent State Convention.

Mississippi College Trustees Terms to Expire in 1944

R. E. Jackson	Cleveland
N. R. McCullough	Hattiesburg
L. E. Green	Pascagoula
W. A. Sullivan	Natchez
J. W. Lee	Batesville

Terms to Expire in 1945

Wyatt Hunter	McComb
Webb Brame	Yazoo City
T. M. Hederman	Jackson
A. S. Bozeman	Meridian
C. B. Young	Sardis

Terms to Expire in 1946

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Greek Rice	Jackson
J. E. Willis	Newton
T. D. Brown	Hattiesburg
J. H. Street	Hazlehurst

Blue Mountain College Trustees Terms to Expire in 1944

Ira B. Seale	Holly Springs
Paul Owen	New Albany
V. Ward Barr	Corinth
A. B. Pierce	New Albany
D. L. Fair	Louisville

Terms to Expire in 1945

A. J. Stacey	Tupelo
F. M. Powell	Tupelo
John Collier	Leland
A. J. Guyton	Blue Mountain
Mrs. J. J. Paschal	Walnut Grove

Terms to Expire in 1946

Miss Jennie Stevens	Inverness
W. H. Anderson	Booneville
J. P. Kirkland	Walnut

Mrs. Iris Richey	Starkville
Carpenter	Starkville
W. L. Johnson	Philadelphia

Woman's College Trustees Terms to Expire in 1944

C. H. Lipsey	Brookhaven
I. E. Rouse	Hattiesburg
H. T. Brookshire	Gulfport
Ben Stevens	Hattiesburg
B. C. Cox	Picayune

Terms to Expire in 1945

J. A. Barnhill	Hattiesburg
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J. J. Denson	Bay Springs
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F. D. Montague	Hattiesburg

Terms to Expire in 1946

A. Polk	Hattiesburg
R. W. Fox	Hattiesburg
Robert M. Ross	Hattiesburg
G. M. McWilliams	Hattiesburg
John Mixon	Hattiesburg

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W. L. Meadows	Quitman
Mrs. W. D. Cook	Meridian
Mrs. J. L. Summer	Newton
W. E. Hardy	Raleigh
A. A. Ward	Lena
B. B. Hilbun	Meridian
J. A. Tidwell	Newton
Knox Huff	Forest
Alex Taylor	Louisville
E. L. Morgan	Newton

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WANTED, FIFTY-FIFTY CHURCHES

In a recent issue of The Baptist Standard it was stated that three Texas Baptist churches plan to divide their funds on a fifty-fifty basis. This means that fifty cents of each dollar contributed is to be used for work at home and fifty cents for work outside the local church such as Home, State and Foreign Missions, Orphanage, Seminaries, etc.

We hope that several Mississippi churches are doing likewise. In fact, we should like to run an honor roll of any such churches. Send the names of any fifty-fifty churches to The Baptist Record.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO SOME

Most Baptists in Mississippi are making more money now than ever before. Wages are up. Prices for farm products are up. BUT the salary of many Baptist pastors in Mississippi is the same it was before the rise in prices.

Every church in Mississippi that has not done so should increase the pastor's salary. The cost of living has "riz." Federal taxes, direct and indirect, are greater than ever before. Groceries, clothes, utilities (included added taxes), car upkeep are far more than what they were a short time ago.

Yet some churches expect their pastor to get along on the same salary as before. Unintentionally they have reduced his salary.

To the credit of many churches, as reported to us, they have increased the pastor's salary. Congratulations! To others, we say, "Be fair with your pastor."

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MONEY NOT ALWAYS FIRST WITH PREACHERS

Sometimes we hear some sour, shriveled soul say that all the preachers are after is money. On rare oc-

casions this is true. But in most instances it is the height of exaggeration.

We know of many instances where pastors have been offered more money in other fields of endeavor. Recently we learned of a preacher who turned down a Sunday supply which would have paid \$25 because he had already promised to be in a service with a small church of about fifty members where no remuneration was expected or received.

Below we quote from a letter recently received:

"We almost lost our pastor. Portsmouth, Va., wanted him badly. He told them 'no' twice and then they called him again and we got busy and called everybody we could to meet at the church and asked him to come to the church and told him we all wanted him to stay and he said that decided it. They offered him \$1,000 more a year than we are paying."

Today there are thousands serving for salaries far less than they would receive in various lines of war industry. Preachers are not perfect and if people are seeking faults they can find them. But most of them are not guilty of the charge indicated above.

—BR—

WE SHALL WATCH

Dr. William B. Pugh has just returned from his forty thousand mile flight to the armed forces overseas in behalf of united Protestantism. We shall await with interest to see if Collier's Magazine, which has played up a similar trip of Archbishop Spellman, will do likewise for the Protestant representative.

—BR—

OH! YEAH!

New York, Nov. 23—(INS)—A powerful World War II ring of whisky bootleggers was believed smashed tonight in the wake of a series of coordinated raids by government agents on scores of bars, grocery stores and even butcher shops.

We call attention to three things with reference to the item above.

1. The bootlegging ring mentioned above was in New York.

2. New York is among the wettest of wet states with whisky being sold almost everywhere.

3. We recall that the wet crowd claimed that by repealing prohibition bootleggers would be either eliminated or very largely overcome.

—BR—

"The Mountaineer," year book of Blue Mountain College, was one of five books from colleges with enrollments of less than 500, to be awarded first class honor rating in the 1943 annual year book critical service conducted by the National Scholastic Press Association. Sixteen books were judged in this group. A total of 562 year books was entered in the service this year.

WHAT IS YOUR SUBJECT?

The Baptist Times of London is sponsoring an essay contest on the subject, "The Sermon I shall Preach When the War is Over." What sermon will you preach? What sermon would you like to hear?

—Baptist Messenger.

We feel that many of The Baptist Record readers are interested in the same question. Therefore we invite our readers to send us their answers to this question.

—BR—

"WHATSOEVER YE SOW . . ."

Recently we read in a daily newspaper the account of how a gallant soldier fought and outwitted the Japs. The soldier said that in one Japanese pillbox he found a hatchet marked "Made in Charleston, W. Va." The soldier's comment was, "That burned me up."

It also burns some of us here at home. It burns us as we think of the hundreds of fine American boys who have been killed by the Japs with instruments furnished by American firms. Christian people protested then but the cry was "Don't offend the Japs."

It never pays to compromise with wrong.

In an early pastorate, we had settled (we thought) a church disturbance that was the fruit of sin. The settlement was a compromise. Thinking we had done a good job, we asked a good deacon what he thought about the way we had handled the trouble.

His reply was, "It never pays to compromise with the devil. He will soon plague you again." And the deacon was correct. Both sides charged me with favoring the other side and in a few months the old sore became worse and finally we had to do what should have been done at first.

Our country will spend thousands of dollars in war against Japan for every dollar we made in selling her the tools of war which she uses to kill our boys.

"Made in West Virginia."

—BR—

COOPERATION WORKS BOTH WAYS

We have recently received a pamphlet from the Standard Oil Company entitled "Blue Print for World Trade." We regret that when we have solicited advertising from this and other nation-wide advertisers the reply has been, "Your publication is a class publication and we cannot give you advertising."

Therefore, if the Standard Oil Company does not think our paper worthy of its advertising we doubt if it would be helpful for us to comment on the pamphlet which they have sent us, as we are a small paper having only a limited circulation of more than 36,000 weekly.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES By Dr. Chester M. Savage

Called and Accepted

M. C. Gardner, Central, Americus, Ga.

Guy N. Atkinson, Baxley, Ga.
D. F. Hickman, Carabella, Fla.
Dewey Cato, Kimberly, Ala.
C. C. Baines, Haig, Gardendale, Ala.
Warren G. Cutts, 2nd, Marietta, Ga.
W. H. Rivenbank, Mims, Fla.
W. P. Reeves, Lanett, Ala.
M. D. Mulvania, Canton, Mo.
D. J. Estep, Cabool, Mo.
G. E. McKeeman, Kearney, Mo.
Woodrow W. Clark, Freeny, Leake county, Miss.

C. J. Alford, LaGrange, Ky.
L. W. Stranger, Carrollton, Ky.
Roy M. Gabbert, Greenville, Ky.
Pat M. Wimberly, Murray Hill, Jacksonville, Fla.
J. A. Barrett, Broadway, Columbia, S. C.

Charles Virden, Immanuel, Hobbs, New Mexico.

John E. Griggs, Temple, Washington, D. C.

F. L. Tuttle, Oxford, Fla.
Alfred Schwab, Temple, Crisfield, Md.

S. H. Roberts, Harmony Grove, Va.
O. C. Curtis, Perryton, Texas.
W. A. Frye, Venus, Texas.
W. P. Carter, Sasakwa, Okla.
E. E. Hill, Stratford, Okla.
H. A. Low, Greenfield, Okla.
Herbert Herrington, Center Ridge, Yazoo county, Miss.

E. S. Ray, Leslie, Ark.
W. J. McCawley, Wilson, Ark.
W. D. Wallace, Crawfordsville, Ark.
O. C. Bean, Locust Grove, Okla.
Roy Hopper, Okeene, Okla.
Carl Owens, Ringling, Okla.
Victor Kosark, St. James, Mo.
C. S. Smart, Southland, Mo.

Resigned

Victor Kosark, Pacific, Mo.
C. J. Alford, Walton, Ky.
M. C. Stith, Brookland, Washington, D. C.
L. W. Stanger, Greensburg, Ky.
Roy M. Gabbert, Lancaster, Ky.
R. F. Stuckey, Central, Tarrant, Ala.
L. M. Kirkland, Broadway, Columbia, S. C.
S. H. Roberts, Boulevard, Richmond, Va.

Alfred Schwab, Basile, La.
W. P. Reeves, Sheffield, Ala.
O. C. Curtis, Seminole, Texas.
W. L. Lynch, Mars Hill, N. C.
W. G. Cutts, Calhoun, Ga.
M. C. Gardner, Del Ray Beach, Fla.
J. Theodore Phillips, Van's Valley, Rome, Ga.

Guy N. Atkinson, Cartersville, Ga.
W. P. Carter, Melissa, Texas.
E. E. Hill, Wayne, Okla.
Ed Shirley, Hinton, Okla.
Beryl Roberts, Hollis, Okla.
T. W. Calloway, St. Elmo, Chattanooga, Tenn.

W. J. McCawley, Leachville, Ark.
Harold Menges, Birdville, Texas.
O. C. Bean, Wildhorse, Okla.
Carl Owens, County Line, Okla.
D. J. Estep, Aurora, Mo.
M. D. Mulvania, Piedmont, Mo.
Walter Davenport, Harrisburg, Mo.
Geo. T. Walton, Falcon, Mo.

—BR—

When every Baptist church in Mississippi is on the Glory Roll, Blue Mountain College can get out of the field. Shall it be this year? Is your church there? See page 13.

BROOKHAVEN DEDICATES EDUCATIONAL PLANT



First Baptist Church, Brookhaven, Mississippi, Showing Annex Building. It was dedicated November 7, 1943.



JAMES L. SULLIVAN, Clinton, Miss.

The First Baptist Church of Brookhaven offered in dedication its annex building and educational plant at its morning service on November 7th.

The building was begun in 1937 and was completed with an over-all cost of approximately \$30,000. It contains a total of 50 rooms. Housing the Cradle Roll, Beginner, Primary, Junior and Intermediate departments, it affords the most recent architectural plans contributing to convenience and efficiency in teaching.

The financing of the building was largely through the church budget, though sacrificial gifts were offered by the members to build up the reserve fund with which to launch the building program. Notes were made to the local banks for the balance of the construction cost, and the last of these notes was retired October 1st.

Leading personalities in the construction of the building were: Pastor, Dr. B. Locke Davis; survey committee: C. H. Lipsey, C. H. Dean, W. D. Lofton, O. N. Arrington and A. W. Bentz; and building committee: I. C. Kees, L. J. Laird, L. C. Magee, R. L. Boadwee and Roland Wall. The notes were endorsed by a group of individuals within the membership. A major part of the indebtedness was retired during the ministry of Dr. S. H. Jones.

Beautiful baskets of flowers were sent by members, former members and friends, to honor certain ones who accepted positions of responsibility in the construction of the plant and the retirement of the indebtedness.

The program of dedication began at 10:45 on Sunday morning, Nov. 7th, with the music under the direction of Troy Prince, new associate pastor. Mrs. Hugh V. Wall offered as special music, "Open the Gates of the Temple," accompanied at the organ by Mrs. P. S. Barnett.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed by Mr. W. D. Lofton. Dr. O. N. Arrington, chairman of the finance committee, spoke on "Highlights of the Construction." The pastor's message of dedication was under the title "Except God Shall Build the House."

In spite of the inclement weather the attendance was exceedingly good, and in the closing of the service the people offered themselves in re-dedication, and pledged to God that every lesson taught within the walls of the educational plant would be from His inerrant Word, and "purposed to teach within its rooms the gospel of Redemption through the riches of grace in Christ Jesus, that the miracles of regeneration might be greatly multiplied here on earth."

James L. Sullivan, Pastor.

THOMPSON LEAVES LAUREL ACCEPTS ABERDEEN

Our ministry of three years and ten months at Second Avenue was filled with joys and happy experiences. 391 were received into the membership of the church—154 for baptism and 238 by letter. \$36,562.73 was contributed—\$6,881.34 for Missions and \$12,000 in bonds as a building fund.

Some of the finest Christians we know are in that church. The love offering of \$112.50 given by the church, and the gifts brought by organizations and individuals when we closed our work there is only characteristic of the way they care for a pastor. We heartily commend them to the next pastor.

Now we are in Aberdeen, and these people have done the last thing to make us happy in our new home. They welcomed us with a reception at the church followed by a shower of all the things necessary to start our work here. We are looking forward with joy to the fellowship and ser-

"LITTLE JIM" CROUSE PASSES

On Oct. 31st the Oldham Baptist Church lost a deacon and one of its most faithful members. Jim died in General Hospital, in Knoxville, Tenn., Sunday noon, October 31st.

He leaves behind to mourn his going, his wife, Etta; one daughter, Jimmie Frances; five sisters and one brother as follows: Clayton Crouse, Gilbertsville, Ky.; Mrs. Ada Cutshall, Mrs. Bessie Daily, Mrs. Quinnie Jackson, Iuka; Mrs. Letha Watts, Fulton, Miss.; Mrs. Mary Swafford, of Arkansas.

Jim was loved by all who knew him. He had worked away from home (which was Oldham) for three years, but never failed to pay his part into the home church. I never saw Jim but what he would say, "Are you getting your salary? If not, I will pay it now."

There are not many men in the world like Jim. I shall ever cherish his memory.—His pastor, R. E. Woodfin.

vice with them and others in this section of the state.

We are happy in our new field and covet your prayers.—C. W. Thompson, pastor.

WELCOME MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST FOUNDATION

At its recent session in Jackson the Mississippi Baptist Convention created the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, a new agency having for its purpose the investment and handling of endowment assets of Baptist institutions and causes which may be committed to it and the procuring of gifts and bequests in wills for the benefit of such institutions and causes. Through this program the activities of the Convention in the particular field will be coordinated, unified and systematized. It is the cooperative program applied in another sphere of the activities of the Convention.

Foundation Facts

1. It will have no power whatever over any institution or cause.
2. It will have none of the objectionable features of self-controlled Foundations. It will be owned by the Convention and managed by Trustees elected by the Convention who will be accountable to it.
3. It will have no say whatever over the way the income from its trust funds are spent. The donors, the institutions or the Convention will determine that.
4. The Board of Trustees of various institutions surrender no right of control or administration. The Foundation can have no say whatever beyond the securing, the holding and the proper investment of trust funds.
5. It gives absolute assurance to persons making gifts and bequests that the purpose thereof will never fail. It is conceivable that in the long course of years a particular institution may be discontinued. But the Churches of God will endure forever. The Foundation will be their instrumentality, controlled and directed by the Convention through which the churches cooperate.

The First Trustees

The Convention evidenced its high regard for its sacred obligation to those who will make gifts and bequests to the Foundation in the character of men which it elected as trustees. There is no business corporation operating in Mississippi which has a more outstanding board. Their names are the synonyms of success. They are consecrated, spiritual, active Christian leaders. In the management of their own affairs each has demonstrated unusual ability. They have the confidence of their neighbors and reputations for character and integrity which are State-wide. There can be no one who would not in perfect confidence entrust his money to the named trustees who are R. L. Covington, President Bank of Hazlehurst, of Hazlehurst; Frank L. Fair, of Fair Company, Louisville; R. B. Gunter, minister and former secretary of Baptist Convention Board; T. M. Hederman, Jr., of Clarion-Ledger, Jackson; Ed C. Polk, investment financing, Hattiesburg; Rex Reed, manufacturer and merchant, Tupelo; P. M. B. Self, planter, Marks; Leland Speed, municipal bonds, Jackson; Judge Sydney Smith, chief justice supreme court, Jackson.

Gifts in Wills to Foundation

All that is required to make a bequest to the Foundation is simply to state in the will "I bequeath and devise to the Mississippi Baptist Foundation the sum of (stating the amount) or the following described property" (describing it) followed by a statement as to the institution or

cause for which the gift is to be used:

Illustrations: "I bequeath to Mississippi Baptist Foundation the sum of five thousand dollars to be administered as a part of the endowment of" (naming the institution or cause as Blue Mountain College, Mississippi College, Clarke College, Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, Mississippi Baptist Hospital or Mississippi Baptist Convention Board).

"I bequeath and devise to Mississippi Baptist Foundation for (naming institution or cause) the following described real estate situated in _____ county, Mississippi, to-wit: (Here describe real estate.)"

Form of Simple Will

Every person having property should consider making a will which should be prepared by an experienced attorney. Persons who have not written wills are evidently willing for their property to go as the law will dispose of it. There are doubtless some of these who will desire to put in trust for the Master's work a portion of what they own. Such persons may safely use the following form of simple will being careful to write all of it and to sign it in their own handwriting:

Will

I, _____ of _____ being above the age of twenty-one years and of sound and disposing mind, do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament.

Item 1. I give and bequeath to Mississippi Baptist Foundation the sum of _____ (\$_____) Dollars for the endowment of (here name the institution).

Item 2. All the rest and residue of my estate I give, bequeath and devise to those persons who would inherit it if I had died without executing this will.

Witness my signature to this will, written wholly in my own handwriting and signed by me on this the _____ day of _____, 194____.

Signature _____

Address inquiries relating to the Foundation to Leland Speed, chairman, Jackson, Mississippi.

BAPTIST BEQUEST COMMITTEE

O. B. Taylor, Director.

25 Years Ago

Rev. T. J. Blass has been recalled at Davis Memorial church, Jackson, with an increase of \$250 salary.

Dr. R. B. Gunter some time since received a challenge from Bro. K. C. Hall of Laurel to give \$500 on the Christian Education debt if nine others would do the same. Just before leaving for the Convention the \$5,000 was in hand. Good for the 500 Club.

J. H. Anderson of Knoxville, Tenn., was recently made president of the Tennessee State Convention.

It was according to his courtly spirit that President J. L. Johnson of the Mississippi Woman's College asked the privilege of the Convention at Meridian of making the motion to take over Blue Mountain into our system of schools. Likewise Rev. Bryan Simmons representing Clarke College seconded the motion.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.
Community Missions—Mrs. Lavin Boyles, Laurel, Miss.
Vice-President—Mrs. Ned Rice, Charleston, Miss.

President—Mrs. J. H. Street, Hazlehurst, Miss.
Executive Secretary—Miss Fannie Traylor
Young People's Secty.—Miss Edwina Robinson

Miss Study—Mrs. W. A. Bell, Jackson, Miss.
Margaret Fund Trustee—Mrs. D. R. Bowen, Cleveland, Miss.
Training School Trustee—Mrs. O. T. Robinson, Centerville.

When this issue of The Baptist Record is read, we will have already entered the last month of the year. December brings to the members of the Woman's Missionary Union many outstanding events. The one that has contributed largely to the growth and influence of our organization is a letter written to the Foreign Mission Board in 1887 making a plea for Southern Baptist women to set apart a week of prayer and offering for world missions. She suggested the week before Christmas for this purpose and closed that plea with the following words: "I wonder how many of us really believe that 'it is more blessed to give than to receive'! A woman who accepts that statement of the Lord Jesus as a fact, and not as 'impractical idealism' will make giving a principle in her life. She will lay aside sacredly not less than one-tenth of her income or her earnings as the Lord's money, which she would no more dare touch for personal use than she would steal. How many are there among our women, alas! who imagine that 'Jesus paid it all,' they need pay nothing, forgetting that the prime object of their salvation was that they would follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ in bringing back a lost world to God, and so aid in bringing the answer to the petition our Lord taught His disciples, 'Thy kingdom come!'"

If you have not already made your Lottie Moon offering for Foreign Missions—think of the gift Lottie Moon made and attempt to match it.

This December 1943 when such a large per cent of the nations are wading through blood and destruction and millions are living below the hunger line and many are dying daily of starvation, we should think of the unspeakable gift that was given to bring "Peace and good-will toward all men."

There are so many ways in which we can show our good-will this month. By grasping these opportunities we minister to Him who gave His all for us (Matt. 25:42-45).

We have on our list of relief beneficiaries of Mississippi 25 aged ministers and 27 widows of aged ministers. What good cheer a missionary society could bring to these who have served so faithfully and have been laid aside for a season. Write us for the name and address of one or two of these to whom you will send a check, so that all will be remembered with a gift by the Christmas season. "It is more blessed to give than receive."

Have you let your Royal Service subscription expire? If so, renew NOW. If you have women in your society that are not subscribers and readers of Royal Service, get their subscriptions and send them in with yours.

Perchance there is a little boy or little girl in your home, or big ones, then they should have World Comrades. Send in that subscription so that they will receive a copy by

Christmas. The home is the bulwark of the nation and can do more to prevent youth delinquency than all the government agencies or religious organizations. Do not fail to plan and work and pray that your sons and daughters may know the marching orders of their King.

Dr. Dillard sends forth his last debt appeal to the Woman's Missionary Union of the South:

"Please put forth a prayerful, urgent, united, persistent effort to get all club and centennial memberships and any other goals for south-wide debt-clearance paid in full by December 19; and

"Please urge all who are not club members or are not contributing according to their state's plan to give at least \$1.00 cash so as to be a club member or contributor for at least one month; and

"Please urge your treasurer to see that the money properly marked is sent in at once, so we can be entirely

"DEBT-FREE IN '43—
COUNT ON ME!"

Such questions as these listed below are answered in the December topic, "The Song of the Witnesses":

1. Discuss the witness of the Christmas song of the ages.
2. Compare world conditions of today with those at the time of the birth of Jesus.
3. Mention some hopeful things in the world situation today.
4. Discuss the witness of Christian singing.
5. Why does the Hebrew race sing in a minor note today?
6. Discuss the attitude of oriental people toward Christianity.
7. Discuss the rhythmic beauty of the lives of African Christians.
8. How are the Latin races adding golden notes to the song of the redeemed?
9. Discuss the Negro spiritual as the expression of the redeemed Negro's soul.
10. How may the marching songs of the American Christians lead the Christians of the world to win victories for Christ?
11. What should be my part in the song of the redeemed?

I believe the study of the Royal Service programs will help you to answer many similar questions as related to "The Christian Witness in Today's World."

This is a good time of the year to read everything concerning stewardship.

A GHOST SPEAKS ON STEWARDSHIP

Mrs. Carter Wright, Alabama

During the Christmas season last year I re-read Dickens' famous Christmas story, "A Christmas Carol." Of course we have known the story from childhood. We've wept over Tiny Tim, loved all the Cratchits, despised the stinginess and meanness of Scrooge and rejoiced when his hard old heart was melted and he

was remade into a loving, kind and generous benefactor. But somehow the cause of his remaking has not been sufficiently emphasized: it was the stewardship speech which Morley's ghost made.

Morley and Scrooge had been partners and they were two of a kind. They cared neither for God nor man but only for the money in their counting house. Seven years has Morley been dead. On this Christmas Eve night, he comes back to warn Scrooge who quakes with fear before the awful specter. A long chain was wrapped around the specter and the hideous clanking of it made Scrooge all but swoon. As Scrooge observed this chain closely he saw it was made of cash-boxes, keys, padlocks, ledgers, deeds and heavy purses wrought in steel.

"I wear the chain I forged in life," wailed the ghost. And then what a powerful stewardship speech that ghost made! (Would that all stewardship speakers could be so effective!)

The gist of that speech was this: "Because, while I lived, I failed to minister to my fellow-beings I am doomed to wander the whole time and witness the good I might have done. No rest, no peace, incessant remorse; Oh, woe is me that I did not know 'that mortal life is all too short for its vast means of usefulness, that I did not know that no space of regret can make amends for one of life's opportunities misused!'"

Here Scrooge interrupts saying: "But you were always a good business man, Jacob," whereupon the ghost, wringing its hands, cried out: "Business? Mankind was my business; the common welfare, charity, mercy, benevolence were all my business. My trade was but a drop of water in the comprehensive ocean of my business!" The ghost solemnly warns Scrooge. He then tells Scrooge that he yet has a chance to avoid Morley's horrible fate.

Reread the story. We need its powerful message on stewardship and our personal accountability for humanity's needs, both physical and spiritual.

As I pondered that story in my heart I thought of the great number of fettered Christians, fettered churches. Would the chains that bind them to their own selfish interests resemble that of the ghost?

"But there are no ghosts," you say. "The dead do not come back." No—but Jesus told of one man who begged to be permitted to come back to warn his brethren.

"But we are not 'Scrooges.'" No—you are not. (Praise the Lord!) You are the most generous givers of any group I know. Nevertheless I am quite sure that our beloved dead, seeing things now as God sees them in the light of eternity, long to come back to urge us to make the best possible use of life's vast possibilities for doing good and to warn that eternal regret awaits us if we fail to do so.

Scrooge found happiness of which he had never dreamed when he prac-

RUSSIANS THANKFUL FOR AMERICAN HELP

New York, Nov. 17—Numerous instances of the "profound gratitude" of the Russian people for relief supplies flowing to them from private agencies in the United States, Great Britain and the other United Nations were related yesterday by Edward C. Carter, president of Russian War Relief, who has just returned from a three weeks' trip to the Soviet Union.

In various Russian institutions visited, from military hospitals to children's homes, Carter observed American relief supplies being used. He was entertained by Russian youngsters wearing attractive sweaters knitted by Americans and they proudly showed him vegetables from their victory gardens grown from American seed. Carter spoke to factory workers in Siberia who had been so hastily evacuated from western industrial centers with their machinery that they had to be completely outfitted from Russian War Relief supplies. He personally checked on the receipt of American Russian War Relief supplies at a huge central warehouse, situated near Moscow. He said, "I was at the warehouse outside of Moscow when a company of guerrillas from the Byelo-Russian front came in from behind the German lines to get shoes for their comrades. Two hundred and fifty pairs of new, American, heavy shoes were luckily available, so these five guerrillas left us to zig-zag through the German lines with these shoes for their comrades."

Medical supplies and surgical instruments rarely remain in this warehouse more than three days. Two-thirds of the medical shipments go to the Red army medical centers, the remainder to civilians.

"In the reoccupied places," Mr. Carter continued, "informal committees of citizens are set up, and they inform the main distribution committees in Moscow what their needs are. On the day I was at the warehouse, a large freight car was being loaded for the Rostov area. The day before, a similar car had left the Kharkov area."

So great is the devastation and need in Russia, that everything the United Nations can do through government agencies such as lend-lease and through private agencies "could not possibly result in Russia's receiving surplus aid."

During his inspection of the Central Blood Transfusion Institute in Moscow, Mr. Carter learned that Brigadier General Philip R. Faymonville, former head of the American Supply Mission, who has just returned to the United States, had donated blood for the Red army fifteen times. "Not even his personal physician knew about this," Carter went on. "But the Russians knew all about it. That's the sort of thing which warms their hearts in a very unusual way."

ticed what Jesus taught: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Let's try it out in full measure this Christmas.—Royal Service.

GOING PLACES

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b:
"Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL."
Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."



REV. M. V. OWINGS

M. V. OWINGS JOINS THE 100% CLUB

Athens, Monroe County, is No. 674

Recently Pastor M. V. Owings wrote us that he had been converted to the EVERY FAMILY Plan. And he is a doer of the word as well as a hearer. Today's mail brought the list from Athens, the fourth EVERY FAMILY list from his field in the last few weeks. All this goes to show what a pastor can do when he tries.

Monroe county now has Record readers as follows: Aberdeen 8; AMORY 130; Becker 3; CENTER HILL 26; Smithville 1; Gregory Chapel 1; Central Grove 1; ATHENS 19 and SPLUNGE 20.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

Mars Hill is Number 676 on EF List

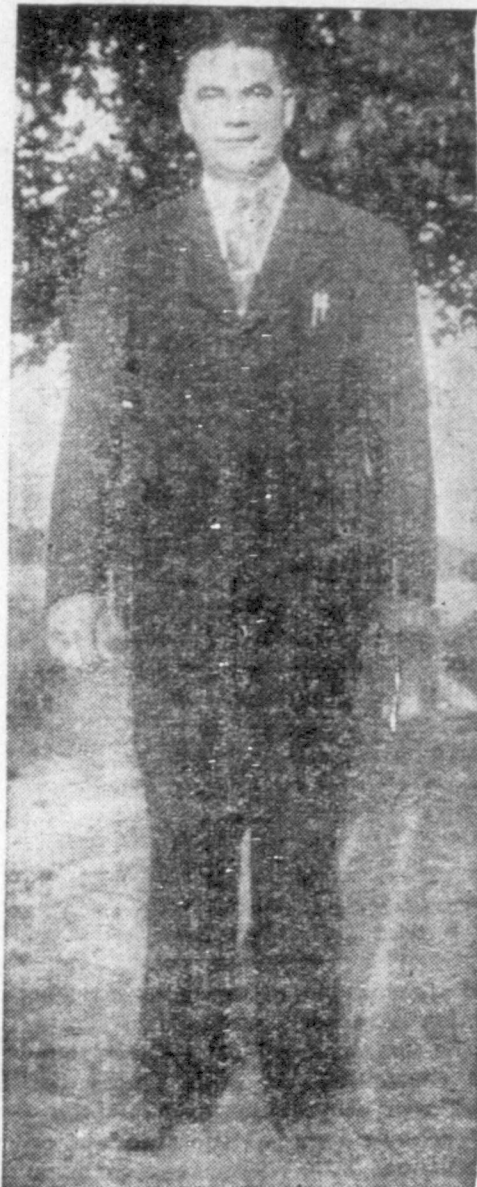
Several months ago one of Mississippi's better country churches, Mars Hill, Amite county, joined the EVERY FAMILY group. We wrote for further information about this good church and in some way failed to call attention to the progressive step of this good church.

Located in one of the best rural sections of Mississippi, Mars Hill, under the leadership of Pastor S. G. Pope, is really going places. The attendance at church, Sunday school, Training Union and the auxiliaries is equal to many churches of larger membership. The pastor is blessed with a fine group of leaders that greatly help promote a progressive program.

Amite county's Record readers are listed as follows: BERWICK 32; CROSBY 60; East Fork 5; GILLSBURG 62; GALILEE 106; Hebron 6; LIBERTY 147; MARS HILL 84; Oak Grove 1; MT. OLIVE 76; MT. VERNON 46; Smithdale 7; Zion Hill 1; ROBINSON 23 and Amite River 1.

Tried and Found Worthy Gentlemen:

You will find enclosed a check to cover the cost of sending the Record to the list enclosed. This covers every family of the Mossville Baptist Church. We have tried EVERY FAMILY Plan for a year and like it very much. We have had the best year



BILBO LIVELY

CHURCH ADOPTS EVERY FAMILY PLAN AT MIDNIGHT

Buchanan Church, Pontotoc County, is No. 677 on the EF List

Climaxing a day of dedications, including two states and seven churches the dedication service at Buchanan church started at 10:45 on Sunday night, October 31. And every seat in the house was taken and people were standing on the outside unable to find seats.

At the conclusion of the sermon the pastor, Bilbo Lively, called a conference and asked that some action be taken to put the EVERY FAMILY Plan in operation in Buchanan church. A good brother made the motion and was duly seconded and the vote was unanimous. This action was taken at approximately 11:55, Sunday night.

Pontotoc county Record readers are listed as follows: CHERRY CREEK 37; Ecru 8; FURRS 30; LONGVIEW 78; PONTOTOC FIRST 147; Randolph 2; TOCCOPOLA 28; TOXISH 20; Zion 14, and BUCHANAN 16.

SIWELL ORDAINS DEACONS AND ADOPTS EVERY FAMILY PLAN

Becomes No. 675 on EF List

Dr. C. S. Thomas, pastor of Siwel church in Hinds county invited us to assist in ordaining some deacons. It turned out to be a triple-header. After the deacons were ordained, the church membership invitation was given and there were six additions.

The pastor then stated that it was his hope that his church would adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record and that he not only hoped they would do it, but was willing to help pay for it. At the evening

in the history of the church.

Yours truly,
J. C. ANDERSON.



A. H. CHILDRESS

Coffeeville is No. 679

Having had the EVERY FAMILY Plan in his churches at Longview and Sturgis, Pastor A. H. Childress made that one of his first objectives upon going to the pastorate at Coffeeville. In fact, we knew that when he went there it wouldn't be long. A letter today from him brings the EVERY FAMILY list. Now all the resident families of the Coffeeville church are going to keep up with Baptist affairs at home and abroad.

Yalobusha county now has Record readers listed as follows: Bethel 5; COFFEEVILLE 29; New Hope 6; Oak Grove 1; OAKLAND 15; Pilgrim's Rest 8; SCOBAY 11; SYLVARENA 14; TILLATOBA 31; Water Valley 3; Wayside 6; SPRING HILL 29; CAMP GROUND 40; and COFFEEVILLE 64.

Southside church in Meridian enjoyed the revival recently led by W. W. Kyzar of Columbia. The church was strengthened and seven joined through profession of faith. Three were added by letter.—Evelyn Moore.

Braxton: Our Orphanage offering totaled \$83.06 cash and \$38 in produce.

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Newark, N. J.—(RNS)—An appeal to President Roosevelt to enjoin employers from using the "so-called war emergency" as a "whip to exact the seven-day-work-week from their employees" has been issued here by officials of the New Jersey Sunday League, Inc.

Dr. T. D. Brown, pastor First church, Hattiesburg, is the author of "On Duty for God and Country," in the December Sunday School Young People and Adults.

Mr. and Mrs. Sibley C. Burnett of the Sunday School Board in Nashville announce the arrival of Mary Roanna.

service, the EVERY FAMILY Plan was officially adopted. And one more name is added to the list of EVERY FAMILY churches that have adopted this popular and progressive plan.

Hinds county has Record readers listed as follows: BETHESDA 43; BOLTON 25; BYRAM 17; CALVARY 820; CHAPEL HILL 33; CLINTON 151; DANIEL 12; Davis Memorial 4; Edwards 3; GRIFFITH MEMORIAL 292; Jackson First 224; LEARNED 14; NORTH SIDE JACKSON 103; PAL-ESTINE 10; PARKWAY 130; POCA-HONTAS 22; RAYMOND 73; SOUTH SIDE JACKSON 51; UTICA 21; NEW HAVEN 21; MT. MORGAN 10; VAN WINKLE 92; TERRY 50; SALEM 32 and SIWELL 17.

Mrs. Frances L. Tyler, Blue Mountain, has an interesting article on "Observing Christmas in Our Homes" in "The Teacher" for December.

—BR—

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ELMER T. CLARK—"For its compass, it is the most satisfying book on the Chiangs I have ever read."—E. C. ROUTH, Editor, The Commission.

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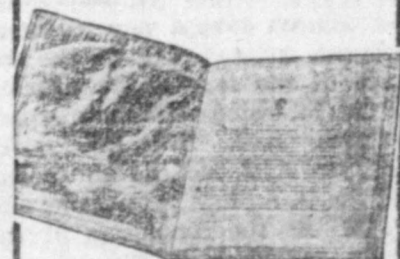
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WILSON HOGAN

HOGAN ACCEPTS DECATUR PASTORATE

Wilson A. Hogan, pastor at Florence (Steen's Creek) and Star, has accepted the pastorate of Clark Venable church, Decatur. He will begin his work at Decatur on December first.

During his pastorate at Florence and Star, commendable progress was made. During the past associational year there have been 59 additions. Both churches have increased the pastor's salary. Steen's Creek has increased the Cooperative Program percentage from 15 to 20%. During the past year Star increased the Cooperative Program gift from \$20 to \$144 and has placed \$216 for the Cooperative Program in the budget for 1944.

In addition to the Cooperative Program during the associational year, Star contributed to the following causes:

Old Ladies Home	\$ 5.25
Hundred Thousand Club	191.00
Now Club	130.00
State Missions	68.00
Home Missions	23.15
Lottie Moon Offering (for M.)	23.95
World Emergency Relief	31.00
Blue Mountain	10.00
Orphanage	86.00
In the same period, Florence contributed the following amounts to outside causes:	
Baptist Bible Institute	10.00
Lottie Moon Offering ('42)	72.00
Cooperative Program (Oct.-Sept.)	524.12
Hundred Thousand Club	224.50
Now Club	186.50
Home Missions	57.00
Home and Foreign Missions	24.56
Blue Mountain Endowment	48.00
Orphanage	102.00
World Emergency Relief	64.41
State Missions	72.16
Total	\$1,385.25

Steen's Creek has been an EVERY FAMILY church for several years and Pastor Hogan led Star to adopt it several months ago.

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The young people of Harrisville Baptist Church gave a very interesting program Sunday night in the observance of the annual Stewardship Day. The following were on the program: Mrs. J. A. Hitt, Mrs. O. C. Chance, Mr. J. M. McLeod and members of the G. A., R. A., Sunbeams and Y. W. A. At the conclusion of the program, Pastor O. C. Chance presented to Rev. and Mrs. B. A. McCullough, former pastor and wife, a collection of useful gifts, an acknowledgement of the love and appreciation of the church.



Rev. and Mrs. S. M. (Happy) White of Atlanta have accepted the call of the Summit Baptist Church, and are expected to assume leadership on December 1, according to reports. He succeeds the beloved Dr. J. B. Quin, for a number of years the pastor at Summit. The new pastor is a native of Mississippi, attended the Lawrence county schools and Mississippi College where he was active in athletics

MISSISSIPPI STUDENTS AT SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY SERVE TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA CHURCHES

Officers of the Mississippi Club at Southwestern Seminary for the coming year are: Allen Webb, president; Earl Waldrup, vice president; Harry Hannah, secretary-treasurer, and Winfield Rich, reporter.

Most of the Magnolia students in the Seminary are now doing full-time church work. Ivor L. Clark is pastor of Weaverton and Oklahoma Baptist churches. Both of these are in Marshall county, Oklahoma. Upton L. Higgins is pastor of Gordon and Mindus Baptist Churches. These are in Palpinto county, Texas.

W. A. Frye is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Venus, Texas. His wife is serving as music director. Kelva Moore is pastor of the Ohio Baptist Church in Hamilton county, Texas. E. L. Howard is pastor of the Chism Baptist Church, Chism, Texas.

J. G. Miller is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Grandfield, Oklahoma. Charles Everette is pastor of the Bonita Baptist Church, Mt. Zion, Texas. John B. Laney is pastor of the Lakenon Baptist Church, Lakenon, Texas.

Miss Sadie Lee Davis is the student assistant at the Seminary in the music department. Winfield Rich is the religious education director at the South Side Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Mississippians enrolled at Southwestern are:

Ivor L. Clark, Neshoba; Mrs. Ivor L. Clark, Neshoba; Norwood Davis, Mt. Olive; Sadie Lee Davis, Clinton;

and other phases of the colleges. The Whites have been serving in Atlanta, at the Sharon and Mozley Drive Baptist Churches. At both places the work was progressive, and the Sunday schools awarded the standard of excellence. Mrs. White was a member of the Grace Note trio which has been heard over the radio. Pastor White is also a singer, and has been in demand in evangelistic meetings.

WE ARE IN THE LAST MONTH J. E. Dillard

The Situation

We are in sight of victory—Hallelujah!

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It is the last lap that tells—be swift O my soul!

The Solution

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3. Treasurers send money to state secretary—Dec. 13.

DEBT-FREE IN '43—COUNT ON ME!

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Charles Everitt, Jackson; Mrs. Charles Everitt, Jackson; W. A. Frye, Pheba; Mrs. W. A. Frye, Pheba; Harry L. Hannah, Sturgis; James B. High, Batesville; E. L. Howell, Jayess; Mrs. E. L. Howell, Jayess; John B. Laney, Tupelo; J. G. Miller, Columbia; Mrs. J. G. Miller, Columbia; Kelva Moore, Carthage; Mrs. Kelva Moore, Meridian; Joseph W. Oliver, Petal; Upton Reynolds, Clarksdale; C. Winfield Rich, West Point; G. S. Sansing, Pheba; Mrs. J. R. Throgmorton, Jackson; J. R. Throgmorton, Jackson; Earl Waldrup, Greenwood; Beatrice Walley, Onett; William L. Warren, Meridian; Allen Webb, Itta Bena; Mrs. Allen Webb, Terry.



MISS CAROLINE WREN

"THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT"

Miss Caroline Wren was the winner of the B. T. U. Sword Drill finals at Blue Mountain College. Miss Wren is a member of the freshman class and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell L. Wren of Jefferson City, Missouri. Several years ago she tied for third place in the Missouri State Sword Drill.

The winner of second place was Miss Martha Brown of Louisville, Kentucky, and Miss Alene Johnson of Tiptersville, Mississippi, was third.

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REV. WILLIAM J. GRAY

Rev. William J. Gray, a lifelong citizen of Simpson county, died early Friday morning, Nov. 26, after a brief illness.

He had been retired from active duties for the past three years and had been residing with his son, Rev. J. W. Gray, at 3523 West Capital street, Jackson, Miss.

He was 79 years of age and is survived by the following children: Mrs. Dewey Sexton, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mrs. Lily Hammond, Florence, Miss.; Mrs. Clarence Grubbs, Shivers, Miss.; Robert Gray, Naranja, Florida; Luther Gray, New Hebron, Miss., and Rev. J. W. Gray, Jackson, Miss.

Funeral services were conducted from Shivers Baptist Church, Saturday morning at ten o'clock, with the Rev. C. W. Black and B. E. Phillips in charge.

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Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley
Soldiers, Sailors, Defense
Projects Service

OUT OF THE DEPTHS—When the wrecked plane was being taken from the waters of the Mississippi River Friday, an incident occurred which brought tears to the eyes of the most hardened river men.

The plane had been raised above the deck of the tug which was operating the derrick. Just as it reached the level of the deck, the body of the unfortunate young aviator lurched forward and would have fallen into the river but for two or three men who caught it and pulled it to the deck of the tug. As they did so, a Bible fell from the shirt pocket. In gold letters on the cover could be seen "From Mother to ———." The name at that time could not be easily read.

But the scene and the thought of a fond mother were almost too much for those standing about and practically every man was wiping tears from his eyes. The tug captain remarked, "I was raised in the church but haven't been in one since I began river work forty years ago. However, when I return to New Orleans, I'm going to the first church I see open."

BILOXI—"One mother wrote her son that she had received a letter from the First Baptist Church, requesting her to urge him to attend services regularly. She then added, 'I thought if my son was going to church, it is time for me to line up with one.' She later made a profession of faith and was baptized."

CONTACTS—During November visits have been made to the Mississippi Ordnance Plant, Flora; Laurel Army Air Base, Laurel; Baptist Service Center, Hattiesburg; Clinton Internment Camp, Clinton; Foster General Hospital, Jackson; Jackson Army Air Base, Jackson, and the Clinton Service Center.

HERE IS A BIBLE I HOPE WILL NEVER BE READ

A Navy chaplain recently amazed a visitor at his office by handing him a copy of a New Testament with the remark, "Here is a Bible which we literally hope will never be read."

"Do you mean," the visitor asked, "that you really give away Bibles which you do not want people to read? Why, then do you give them away?"

The chaplain explained that the book was one of the thousands of New Testaments which are enclosed in waterproof containers for use on life-rafts.

"After the Rickenbacker party's experience on the life-rafts," said the chaplain, "The American Bible Society offered to supply these Testaments to Navy ships. Hundreds have been sent to this office to be placed on vessels. We sincerely hope that this Bible will never be used, but we do want it there in case some one in the future is forced to climb onto a life-raft."

Then the chaplain added, "A newspaper reporter cabled that there were no atheists in fox-holes, I would like to add that there are no atheists on life-rafts out on the vast expanses of the Pacific."

BIBLE PRESS OF BRAZIL

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then out of the over and above a third five thousand, while the regular five thousand promised for 1943 to be paid in 1944 is included among the objects for this coming Christmas.

Mrs. Katherine Alexander of Waco, Texas, heard Dr. Maddy speak of this work at Ridgecrest last year and handed him her check for \$1,000.00. Others made similar gifts. Mr. Robert Stone, a wheat farmer and grain elevator owner of Clovis, New Mexico, sent in an unsolicited check for \$250. Space does not permit the mention of a number of smaller gifts which may represent great sacrifices and their ultimate value can only be computed in the coin of heaven.

From the very outset God's leadership has been very clearly manifested in every step taken. By the time we began to make the plates the gifts were already more than large enough to cover the cost of the New Testament. When they were ready for the press we had no paper in sight. Finally we found enough paper to publish a first edition of 15,000 New Testaments. Still we did not have enough to print the whole Bible. Once again our faith, smaller than a grain of mustard seed, was vindicated. There was talk of waiting until after the war to complete the printing of the Bible. But God's hand is not shortened. We lifted our cry to Him and He heard. Now even before all the plates for the Old Testament are ready, there is enough paper in sight for at least 15,000 Bibles. The cost is painfully high but those who seek the printed Word will soon be able to obtain it.

The New Testament came off the press September 6th of this year and requests for them are coming in faster than they can be bound. The Baptist Publishing House is almost devoid of machinery for binding so the major part of our binding is done by hand.

Although founded by Baptists and regardless of the fact that the work is being done in the Baptist Publishing House, the Bible Press of Brazil is pledged to non-sectarianism. Already some of the leaders of other denominations have expressed enthusiastic approval and warm praise for what has been accomplished. Our Baptist people as a whole are delighted.

To those whose interest may be stirred and who wish further information, please write to Dr. Charles E. Maddy or Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., of the Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, or to the undersigned.

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Hutchinson, Kas.—Seaman Dale Dawson of the Naval Air Base attended church and sat next a woman who wanted to be hospitable to visiting servicemen. She invited him to dinner. Dawson accepted with a straight face. He's a Hutchinson resident and had been attending that church for years.

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NAVY OPPOSES THE OFFICE OF CHIEF OF NAVY CHAPLAINS

Senator David I. Walsh, chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, and Representative Carl Vinson, chairman of the House Naval Affairs Committee, have promised early hearings on the Walsh-Plumley Naval Chaplaincy Bill (S. 300 and H.R. 1023) for the passage of which the churches are asking but which the Navy opposes.

Protestants, Catholics and Jews are united in supporting the measure, which would provide a new administrative set-up for navy chaplains by creating the office of a chief of chaplains for the navy similar to that which the army has had since 1920. At present, the navy chief of chaplains has that title only by courtesy, and is officially merely an advisor to the Chief of the Bureau of Naval Personnel. The office exists only by executive order within the navy and its holder is restricted to the rank of captain. The Walsh-Plumley Bill provides for a chief of chaplains to be appointed by the President for four years, with the temporary rank of Rear Admiral.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Ralph A. Bard stated in a recent address that there are now 1,750 chaplains in the navy. These are all commissioned officers.

The National Catholic Welfare Conference, the National Jewish Welfare Board, and the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, which represents Protestantism, are unitedly advocating the Walsh-Plumley Bill, which they claim will bring better administration and support to navy chaplains. The Protestant Episcopal Church passed a resolution in support of the bill at its General Convention in Cleveland last month.

The only reason the navy has given officially for its stand against this request of the churches is that the proposal will cost the navy \$1000 a year.

L. W. Roberts Ordained to Full Gospel Ministry

L. W. Roberts was called to serve the Mt. Pisgah church beginning October 1. He was licensed by the same church in August, 1940, under Rev. J. R. G. Hewlett's leadership.

The Mt. Pisgah church requested the Charleston church to form the ordination council which was held during our revival. Dr. Chas. L. McKay served as moderator and the pastor and deacons formed the council and questioned the candidate concerning his experience of salvation, Bible doctrine, and church policy. He responded satisfactorily to all questions.

The church then invited Pastor Tolar, J. H. Pennebaker, pastor of Sumner and Webb, and the Charleston deacons to form the ordaining council. J. T. Tolar preached the sermon and J. H. Pennebaker delivered the charge to the pastor and church. Along with the ordaining of Bro. Roberts, a deacon; Charles Edwards, Jr. was ordained—J. T. Tolar, pastor, Charleston Baptist Church.

Since 1933, temperance forces in this country, quietly working to restore prohibition, have dried up thousands of towns, townships and even counties through local option elections. Of the 12,000 that have been held, the dries have won 7,800, or 65 per cent. As a result, one formerly wet state is now nearly one-half dry.—Exchange.

THE BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE LUNCHEON WAS WELL ATTENDED

The Baptist Bible Institute Alumni luncheon was held at the Walthall Hotel, Wednesday, 12:30, noon. There were over one hundred enthusiastic and loyal friends and alumni on hand. Dr. D. A. McCall pronounced the invocation. Rev. J. D. Griffin, the secretary, produced a splendid directory of present and former students from, and in, Mississippi. The nominating committee, L. W. Ferrell, chairman, presented the names of Dr. W. A. Bell, Jackson, president; Rev. J. D. Griffin, secretary. They were duly elected. Dr. P. I. Lipsey, chairman of the board of trustees, introduced Dr. J. W. Shepard of the Bible Institute, who made a splendid address, setting forth the marvelous progress of the school and outlining for the alumni the need for much expansion. President of the Mississippi Baptist Convention E. C. Williams, an alumnus of the institution, was on the program for the benediction.

Among those present were:

Troy A. Sumerall, Painesville; James Allgood, Brookhaven; H. B. Speights, Silver Creek; R. C. Woodham, Hattiesburg; Edward C. Farr, Glen Allen, O. B. Beverly and Mrs. Beverly of Flora; Phil J. Walker, Poplarville; R. A. Tullis, Greenwood; O. F. Watts, Laurel; L. E. Green, Pascagoula; H. Phiffer Porter and Mrs. Porter, McComb; N. R. Stone and Mrs. Stone, Mobile, Ala.; N. R. Stone, Mobile, Ala.; W. L. Sewell and Mrs. Sewell, Gloster; Solie I. Smith and Mrs. Smith, Stonewall; H. B. Benson and Mrs. Benson, Terry; J. T. Tolar and Mrs. Tolar, Charleston; Charles L. McKay and Mrs. McKay, Ruston, La.; Thomas G. Ashby, Clinton; L. C. Hoff, Clinton; E. Virgil Ratliff, Lumberton.

Bruce S. Hilbun, Soso; Mrs. Nat Tracy, Ruleville; Mrs. Robert D. Carrin, Camp Van Dorn; B. E. Massey, Ellisville; L. Bracey Campbell and Mrs. Campbell Marks; Fred B. Bookter, McComb; J. Price Brock, Osyka; C. O. Lindsey, Canton; J. D. Griffin and Mrs. Griffin, Picayune; Robert L. Cooper, Aberdeen; W. A. Bell, Jackson; Thurman Booth, Osyka; H. Grady Wilkes, Yazoo City; J. W. Shepard, New Orleans, La.; Houston S. Martin, Clinton; J. F. Brantley, Pascagoula; Jimmie Dale Windham, Escatawpa; V. C. Windham and Mrs. Windham, Escatawpa; D. A. McCall, Jackson; Robert S. Crawford, Jackson; Rev. S. W. Waggener and Mrs. Waggener, Centerville; Rev. L. W. Ferrell and Mrs. Ferrell, Jackson; Jas. B. Ray, Tupelo; J. N. Holloway, Picayune; Miss Jennie Stevens, Inverness; P. I. Lipsey and Mrs. Lipsey, Clinton.

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A. L. Goodrich, Jackson; Morrell Lee, Picayune; Mrs. E. R. Pinson, Tylertown; Percy M. Cooper and Mrs. Cooper, Jackson; A. A. Jackson, Hillsboro; Rev. W. R. Storie, Itta Bena; Chaplain R. D. Carrier, Camp Van Dorn; W. L. Comper, Meridian.

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The Man With the Consecrated Car

He couldn't speak before a crowd,
He couldn't teach a class,
But when he came to B. T. U.
He brought the folks "en masse."
He couldn't sing to save his life,
In public couldn't pray,
But always his "jalopy" was
Just crammed on each Lord's Day.

Our Topics for December

The theme for December is "We Believe the Promises of God." Scripture, Heb. 10:23; Gal. 6:9; Col. 3:23-34; I John 2:17, 25. Subjects to be considered in Training Union each Sunday are as follows Dec. 5th, "God's Grace is Sufficient for Our Needs." Dec. 12th, "All Things Work Together For Good to Them That Love God." Dec. 19th, "We Shall Reap if We Faint Not." Dec. 26th, "I Am With You Always." Join us in these discussions, they will do you good. This closes a year with the study of Faith, our theme for the year being "Our Living Faith." We enter the new year to follow the general theme of "Thy Will Be Done."

Could You Select a Better Time?

The more we think of the time selected for our State Training Union Convention and training meeting the more we feel that this is the very best time we could have chosen. A holiday season. Christmas will have been over nearly a week. It is the time to make new resolution, and a good one to make is that you, if you are a member of the Training Union, will put a lot more into this matter of training for service for the Lord. If you are not now a member, a good resolution for you will be that you will not rob yourself any longer of this opportunity for spiritual growth. Think it over, isn't this the ideal time for such a meeting?

The Next Three Weeks Will Tell the Story

The next three weeks the Record will carry the whole story of the Convention and training meeting. The Convention proper will be on Thursday, December 30th. Friday the 31st will be a special training meeting for associational officers. We will have, however, on Friday, conferences for all age groups. No conferences on Thursday. That day will be given to our contests, talent parade, inspirational messages, special music and demonstrations. Two great days will close the year giving those who attend a mighty good start on the new year's program for the Master.

A Word About January 24th

Already you have heard that January 24th is the day we have set aside for a simultaneous associational mass meeting. The suggestion is that each of our 71 associations will hold an evening meeting for two hours, 7-9 on Monday night, Jan. 24th. The director and department leaders giving the entire program except for the music. We have set as our goal 15,000 attendance for the state. We can reach this goal easily if every associa-

tion will make advance plans giving the meeting sufficient publicity. Save your gasoline. Nearly everyone lives near enough the church to go the old way, horse, mule, buggy, wagon, or foot! This training meeting on December 31 in Jackson will be in the interest of this simultaneous meeting January 24th.

Oxford B. Y. P. U. Has "Spiritual Banquet" Program

Sunday night, November 21st, at Oxford the Student B. Y. P. U. enjoyed a novel program. The entire program was carried out as a "Spiritual Banquet." Tables in banquet formation were decorated with white and green crepe paper streamers, and a mirror centerpiece on which was placed a wooden cross and the words, "Jesus Saves." Places were laid with paper napkins on which an open copy of the book of John served as a plate. Also for place cards, were mimeographed copies of the program, as follows (on front of folder):

"Spiritual Banquet"

Baptist Young People's Union
November 21st

No daily meal is complete without the Bread of Life. On the inside folder, the program was listed as follows: Toastmistress (president); Cocktails (Records); Mission Salad (Report of Missionary Committee); Dinner Course (Daily Bible Readings); After Dinner Speakers (Group Captain and his members). During the time the speakers were talking, a small ice cream cup was served each member. On the back of the folder, the Bible readings for the coming week were listed as a reminder from the Bible readers' leader. The copies of the Book of John were souvenirs for each member. This was a very impressive service, participated in and enjoyed by a good crowd.

Neshoba Plans to Run Bus to Jackson For State Convention and Training Meeting

Director F. G. Wilborn announces that already they have plans at work for bringing a bus load of folk to the Convention December 30-31. The plan is to have as many churches as possible represented in the group that as many churches as possible may profit directly from the program.

Lebanon Has Over 300 in Associational Meeting

According to Director Garland McInnis, the last meeting of the Lebanon Associational Training Union was one of the best they have had. More than 300 attended. Sixteen churches were represented in the meeting. A splendid program was given including special violin numbers. Mr. McInnis presented to the group the coming State Convention and training meeting to be held in Jackson, Calvary Baptist Church, December 30-31. Mr. McInnis reports that the enlargement campaign held in Lebanon Association the last week in September is still bearing fruit.

Canton's Leadership

First Canton takes a stride forward as new leaders take over for the new



Blue Mountain, Miss., Nov. 15—The cast of "So This Is London," this year's major dramatic production of the Mountain Masqueraders of Blue Mountain College was presented Friday evening, Nov. 19, in the Modena Lowrey Berry auditorium under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Purser. Front row, left to right: Miss Marjorie Donnell, Blue Mountain; Jane Casey,

Jackson; Miss Elizabeth Purser; Corrie Mae Porter, New Albany; Kathleen Naylor, Leonardtown, Md.; Carolyn Powell, Liberty.

Back row, left to right: Jean Lowrey, Blue Mountain; Ruth Garcia, Buenos Aires, Argentina; Jean Carnes, Shelby; Elizabeth Ann Maxwell, Booneville; Marguerite Davis, Lebanon, Mo.; Bernice McDaniel, Osyka.

TITHING CORNER

WHY I TITHE

I tithe, first of all, in gratitude to my Saviour who died in my stead. When I think of how Jesus left all the riches and glories of heaven, came to this old sinful world as a poor, toiling man willing to be mocked, ridiculed, persecuted, tempted beyond human endurance and died that I might live; there is an urge in my heart to do something for Him—to give that others might hear the gospel and be saved. To tithe is one way I can witness for my Lord. The money can go where I cannot; it can send someone appointed of God to say what I am unable to say.

Then, I tithe in order to be honest to my heavenly Father. The Psalmist in Ps. 24:1 that the earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof. In Lev. 27:30, I find that the tenth is holy unto the Lord. The world is God's by creation but He lays claim only on the tenth; it is His. I was taught honesty from infancy—in the home, school and church. Would even a habitual robber be so low as to rob his own parents? Yet, God, my heavenly Father pointed an accusing finger saying, "But ye have robbed me." Mal. 3:8.

I tithe, also, for the rewards which are in store for the obedient children. God promises a physical and a spiritual blessing here on earth, and I will also receive a crown of righteousness in heaven if I do His commandments.

Then, I tithe because I fear God's wrath. Heb. 12 tells how God will chasten his children for disobedience. In Heb. 10:31, I am told, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of a living God."

I am glad I belong to a church where tithing is taught, stressed and practiced.—Mrs. Orvis Strahan, mem-

year. Director, Miss Christine Neyman; secretary, Mrs. Rosalind Welch; Intermediate leader, Miss Nancy Backstrom; sponsor, Miss Ruth Cole; Junior leader, Juniors 9-10, Miss Jean Cockerham; sponsor, Miss Jeanette Mangum; Junior leader, 11-12 Juniors, Miss Nell Thompson; sponsor, Miss Nina Jeffries.

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Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

Attention Sunday School Superintendents!

More Cradle Roll Departments are Needed. Recently a card was sent to every Sunday school superintendent in the state requesting the names of elementary workers. Of the nearly fifteen hundred cards sent out, only 175 were returned. I was interested in noting that 74 of these 176 Sunday schools did not have a Cradle Roll department. This shows that one of the most important departments in these Sunday schools is being neglected. Every Sunday school should have a Cradle Roll department for the following reasons:

1. To strengthen the tie between the church and the home and to assist in the early religious training of the little child. Parents are quick to respond to any attention shown their children. In serving the baby, often the church is not only helping the child but is also taking the first step in enlisting the mother and father.

2. To assure the early attendance of the little child in Sunday school. Unless the family moves away or there is a visit from the death angel, every baby whose name is placed on the Cradle Roll may be counted on for attendance in the Sunday school by the time he is four years of age.

3. To help make a Christian home for every baby. In every community there are fathers and mothers who will never be reached for Christ and church membership unless they are reached through love for their babies and their desire to have all that is best for them.

No Sunday school is too small for a Cradle Roll department, for this is one department that does not absolutely require a meeting place on Sunday morning. The greatest ministry of this department is in the home. It is not necessary for the babies to be brought to Sunday school in order to be a member of the Cradle Roll department. The Sunday school, through the Cradle Roll department, ministers to the baby in his home. That is its major emphasis. However, if it is possible to provide a nursery and a nursery class for the young children who are brought to the Sunday school, this strengthens the service rendered in the home.

Contacts with the homes are made and maintained during the week. Fine Christian women who desire to continue their membership in Adult classes, or who do not find it possible to have a part in the work on Sunday morning, can render faithful and efficient service as Cradle Roll visitors.

In many cases enrolling a baby in the Cradle Roll department has been the means of opening the doors of homes that have been closed to religious influences. Just as the Master when He was on earth touched the hearts of parents through the placing of gentle hands on little children, consecrated Cradle Roll workers are today reaching the hearts of the homes through love for and desire to serve the tiny babies.

Mr. Superintendent, if you do not have a Cradle Roll department in your Sunday school and you see the

need of one, won't you please pick out a consecrated lady whom you think would be interested in this great department and send her name to our department here in Jackson? We will then write to her and encourage her in launching and carrying out this great work.

Belzoni Sets New Record

On Sunday, November 14, the Belzoni Sunday school had 220 in attendance. This is the largest attendance in the history of the church. Congratulations to Mr. Terry Campbell, the superintendent of this fine Sunday school, and all of his workers on this most splendid achievement.

Another Standard Department

The Primary department of the First Baptist Church of Picayune has recently become standard for the new Sunday school year. Mrs. Barney Whitfield is superintendent of this splendid department.

Second Quarter's Primary Programs Ready

The Primary Assembly programs for January, February and March are now ready for distribution. These are programs written by Mrs. Barney Whitfield of Picayune. They are most excellent and any department superintendent would do well to get a set of these programs for her own assembly. They are 50c for the quarter and can be had by mailing the money and your address to Baptist Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

TEN BEST BOOKS

(Herewith the ten books I enjoyed most during the summer months.)
2000 Hours in the Psalms—Hull.
Studies in Romans, Ephesians, Colossians—Carroll-Mullins.
Acres of Rubies—Kinney.
The Christ We Forgot—Wilson.
Christ in the Minor Prophets—Barker.
Synopsis of the Books of the Bible—J. N. Darby.
Days of Our Years—Van Paassen.
Studies in the New Testament—Linn.
Exposition of Genesis—Leupold.
Spurgeon's Sermons on the Second Coming—Fuller.

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Religious publications will probably feel the result of a 15% slash in available paper expected to be put in force on January 1.—Baptist Messenger. (Editor's note: Don't say we didn't warn you.)

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SOUTHERN ALUMNI HEARS DR. DOBBINS AT BREAKFAST MEETING

The annual Southern Seminary breakfast was held at the Robert E. Lee Hotel on Wednesday morning, November 16.

Officers for the new year are: President, Dr. Walter L. Johnson, Philadelphia; vice president, Rev. J. W. T. Siler, Arcola; secretary, Rev. George Gay, Okolona; Eureka Man, Rev. W. R. Cooper, Tylertown.

The outstanding feature of the breakfast was a message by Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, professor of Religious Education and Church Efficiency in the Southern Baptist Seminary. Dr. Dobbins, a native of Mississippi, brought a great message about the accomplishments of the Seminary, its present service and its plans for the future.

Among those present were:

V. Ward Barr, Corinth; John E. Barnes, Jr., West Point; W. A. Bell, Jackson; J. F. Brock, Moss Point; T. D. Brown, Hattiesburg; Edward L. Byrd, Holly Springs; C. C. Carraway, Boyle; Mrs. C. C. Carraway, Boyle; John W. Cook, Pontotoc; W. R. Cooper, Tylertown; Harold Douglas, Mathiston; Ray F. Dykes, Meridian; R. A. Eddleman, Clinton; Earl C. Edwards, Shuqualak; O. P. Estes, Picayune; William W. Ferguson, Rolling Fork; E. S. Flynt, Biloxi; George H. Gay, Okolona; A. L. Goodrich, Jackson; W. E. Greene, Brookhaven; C. B. Hamlett, III, Winona; Mrs. C. B. Hamlett, III, Winona; B. Dolfis Hardin, Sunflower; W. S. Hardin, Drew; Van H. Hardin, Ackerman; Eldie F. Hicks, Waynesboro; E. G. Hightower, Batesville; B. B. Hilbun, Meridian.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

	SS	BTU
Clifton (November 21)	65	73
Pinola (November 21)	45	32
Louisville (November 21)	427	69
Wallerville (November 21)	68	36
Olive Branch	79	51
Wallerville	64	32
Enon (Panola)	65	49
Ellison Ridge	137	
New Albany First	432	148
Pinola	41	26
Crystal Springs	261	69
West Side Natchez	72	32
First Baptist (Jackson)	634	232
Griffith Memorial, Jackson	404	226
Calvary (Jackson)	584	211
Parkway (Jackson)	269	

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MR. F. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

Beginning early in the year a calendar of activities for the next year Training Union program is planned. This calendar includes all general meetings, conventions and tours. Special features for each month go into the plans; for instance, we begin the new year (1944) with a simultaneous associational meeting scheduled for January 24th. In February state workers will visit colleges in the interest of the individual



AUBER J. WILDS, Secretary

is satisfactory. Method books are used for best results. On Sunday of the campaign a meeting of all local workers is held and plans for the week discussed and completed. Each morning of the week a faculty meeting is held. During the afternoons a program of visitation is carried on with special interest in enlisting additional leaders needed in an enlarged program. Goals are set. On Thursday night unions meet and re-organize and plan their program for the following Sunday.

A visit to a college will include personal contacts and group meetings—for instance—thirty minute conferences with individual general officers. Speaking at noon day prayer meeting. A leadership conference in the evening for all officers of individual unions. Sometimes this may be a larger meeting with open house for all.

A conference with local church group, or associational executive committee would vary from one to three hours. Usually held in the evening.

Church to church tour may include three churches a day for a week. Each morning 10-12, each afternoon 3-5, each evening 7-9. The program would usually consist of a discussion of the work in general, demonstration of some phase of the work, sometimes the organization of a union, and a message from some invited guest, perhaps one of our missionaries. Our conventions, we feel, yield large dividends. Through them we reach a large group of our leaders along with a larger group of individual members of the unions. Our opportunity here is to give out new ideas, new plans, and new challenges. With our fifteen district conventions each June, we bring a great program of inspiration and practical ideas within reach of every church member.

We are available, occasionally, for associational mass meetings, socials, banquets, and other general church functions, and are glad to serve when possible.

In the office Mrs. P. C. French serves as part time secretary. Requests for tracts and other free material are attended to daily. General letters carrying suggestions to leaders go out periodically. The addressing of some 3,500 envelopes takes the spare time over a period of several weeks, the letter includes composition, cutting of the stencil, 7,000 revolutions (two for each impression) of the "hand crank" of the mimeograph. If we enclose a sheet of suggestions, perhaps rules for one of the contests

Throughout the year state workers, in addition to promoting these projects, are busy in study courses, training schools, enlargement campaigns, conferences with individual church groups and associational officers, church to church tours, attending associational meetings, planning programs, and carrying on an ever-increasing correspondence.

A week in your church for an enlargement campaign: Usually an outside faculty is invited; however, one outside worker who will direct the campaign and teach one of the books, using local talent for the other classes

MRS. NANNIE GARDNER

Mrs. Nannie Gardner died October 5, 1943, after an illness of two years. She was born August 27, 1858 and was eighty-five years of age. About 1874 she married R. B. Gardner and to this union were born six children, five of whom survive: Mrs. Hattie Gurley, Mrs. Maudie Epps, Artie, Ocena and Bruce Gardner, all of Tishomingo, Mississippi. Also surviving are ten grandchildren and five great grandchildren. She lived a widow for more than fifty years and shall always be remembered as a good neighbor who moved about in her own little sphere of life doing good for others.

She had been a member of Highland Baptist Church since 1879, just one year after the church was organized. Her influence as a Christian character will long be remembered by all who knew her.

Funeral services were conducted at Highland by the pastor, Rev. Guy Graham, assisted by Rev. Joe Hughes of Red Bay, Alabama, on October 6, 1943.

By order of the church a copy of this obituary is to be placed on the church minutes, and copies sent to the family and The Baptist Record.—Earline McRae, Dennis, Mississippi.

—BR—

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—BR—

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held in the convention, another 7,000 turns of the crank have to be made. These 7,000 sheets have to be folded, stuffed into the envelopes, counted and weighed before mailing. (When you get one please remember the work it took to get it out.) When, about once a month, we come to the office for a few days we usually find a stack of mail that has accumulated that takes a full day, more or less, to answer. (We are glad to get it, please remember, for letters reveal interest in the work.) Checking of records and reports, and planning and producing promotional material consume any additional time we may have.

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

(Correct answers on Page Fifteen.)

1. Paul wrote "At the first answer no man stood with me," etc. How would you interpret this?

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2. Three temples are listed by name in the Bible. Can you name them in their consecutive order?

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3. What books in the Bible were known as the Synoptical Gospels, or Synoptics, and why were they so called?

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4. Can you describe the kind of roof the friends of the paralyzed man "broke up" to bring him before Jesus?

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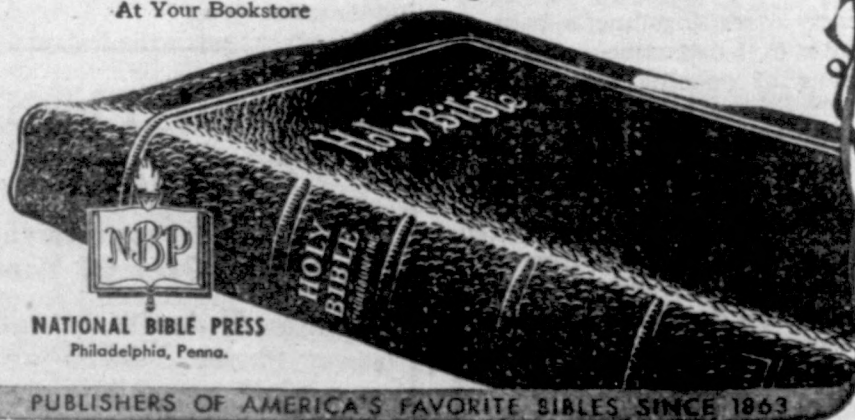
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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for December 5
THE SIN OF COVETOUSNESS
Lev. 20:17; Luke 12:13-34

I. A Unique Commandment.

In the legal codes of the ancient world there is nothing anywhere else like this commandment. It stands in a class alone. The four commandments which precede this one in Decalogue you will find stated in other words in every ancient code of criminal law recorded anywhere, and with them you will find the punishment prescribed for their violation. Now, the Tenth Commandment is the complement of all the others. In it, God is commanding of us inward goodness as well as outwardly respectable conduct. God demands in this commandment that we have our hearts purged of the desire for the things bad in themselves not only, but for the things good in themselves which we may not have without inflicting a loss upon someone else in our attainment of them. He is commanding us to forsake the very thought which would lead to the desire or to the purpose to obtain in any way hurtful to another of anything which belongs to him. God is telling us here that sinful imaginations, sinful thoughts, sinful purposes, though never carried out, are crimes against Him, as well as sinful acts. The thoughts of men are beyond the reach of the legislators, beyond the reach of the judges, but God takes note of them and has not to wait for the overt act to behold a heart good or guilty.

II. An Inclusive Commandment.

In his excellent treatment of the Ten Commandments, as it has been condensed and adapted by J. B. Cranfill, Brother B. H. Carroll shows (pp. 114-117) how a violation of this commandment may be a violation of every one of the other nine. To covet gold is to make it one's hope, and that is to make it one's god, and that is to violate the first commandment. Paul says (Eph. 5:3-5; Col. 3:5) that covetousness is idolatry, a worship of images. But the miser hides himself away and having entered into his closet, closes the door, and fondles his gold and gloats over it, pays his homage to it, worships it, and plans how he may obtain more of it. He gives it the love he owes God, and thus commits the sin of idolatry. The third is, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain." Thou shalt not invoke the name of God in witness to a lie. See what Ananias did! He coveted the money which He gave the church, and kept part of it back in response to his desire for the coveted reputation of being abundantly generous and the desire to have the price of his land as well. So he lied before God, called God to witness to a lie. So Ananias violated the third commandment in violating the tenth. Fourth. Remember the Sabbath Day. Keep it holy. But that is being violated all over this country today by men and women whose only real reason for doing it is that they covet the wealth which they hope to accumulate by keeping open shop, by doing the business of the ordinary

day on the Sabbath. Oh! Don't tell me about exceptions! I know there are some, but I also know and you do, that about four-fifths of the Sunday business done in this country could be avoided without loss to anyone concerned. The question is not, How can I inviolate God's holy day, but How can I get this dime, this dollar. Fifth. Honor the parents. The love of money leads many a man, many a woman, to neglect the needy, aged, indigent parents. Again, the parents are dishonored in the child who, for love of money, engages in a business, a voice, a debauchery which grieves the parents. Sixth. Thou shalt do no murder. But covetousness has led to the commission of this crime times without number. The love of money, the coveting of money, is the root of all sorts of evil, and not the least of these evils is murder. Seventh. Thou shalt not commit adultery. But an inordinate love of money, the sin of covetousness, has filled our cities with houses of vice and made debauchery a trade, "the oldest trade in the world." Eighth. Thou shalt not steal. And why do men and women steal? In response to the sin of covetousness, man! Ninth. Thou shalt not bear false witness. But men do it, they do bear false witness. Why? Among the reasons is thus: They yield to the offer of bribes. Why? They covet.

III. Other and More So-Called Respectable Violations.

That's a bad heading! Forgive it, please. I am trying to show how individuals may violate this commandment by thinking and willing and loving a good thing in the wrong way. A preacher looks upon the success of another preacher and says, "My, but I want to have a place like his!" All right! If he goes to work for the glory of the Lord and prays the Lord to help him grow big for the Lord's sake, all honor to him! But, alas, there are those who will strive to raise themselves up by pulling others down, all from a spirit of envy, of covetousness. "I want his place! I'll climb over him to get it." So of physicians, teachers, merchants, bankers, yea, and farmers, too. It works like a cankerworm in the heart of the poor foolish woman who makes herself unhappy because she can not wear as costly clothes as the wife of a wealthier man than her husband is.

IV. The Command a Prohibition of Predatory War.

Why did our little Brown Brothers go to war with China? They coveted what China had and determined to snatch it. Why did Mussolini go to war with poor Abyssinia? He coveted their lands. I think, however, that it would be well for somebody to remember that Benito did not do all his naughty deeds "by himself." The people of that misguided land were quite as eager as he to take what belonged to their poor neighbors. The students of the great city that the Allies are right now reaching after, thronged the streets for blocks before the palace of Benito, there at the end of the Abyssinian campaign, while one of the ministers of Benito was speaking, and shouted till the vaulted heavens rang, and

"Tiber trembled underneath her banks,

To hear the replication of . . . sounds made in her concave shores."

Why did Adolf rape Poland and

ROLL CALL OF CHURCHES BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

(These churches have exceeded their "announcements.")

Skene, Mt. Moriah (Calhoun), Indian Springs (Jones), Walnut Grove, Tupelo Calvary, Lowland (Leflore), Improve (Marion), Blue Mountain, Louisville, Pleasant Home (Jones), Vardaman, Carrollton, New Montpelier (Clay), Horse Shoe (Holmes), Shannon (Lee), Waxhaw (Bolivar), Smithville, Woodland (Pontotoc), Osborne Creek (Prentiss), Lexington.

Added this week: Lewisburg, Pickens, Center Hill (Leake), Prairie, Spring Creek (Neshoba), New Augusta, Booneville, Dundee, Inverness, Cascilla (Tallahatchie).

Honor Roll No. 1

(These churches have obtained more than 75% of their "announcements.")

Pine Grove (Clarke), West Point, Cary (Deer Creek), Leland, Louin, Lyon, Senatobia, Friendship (Wayne), Blythe Creek (Zion), McAdams, Wesson, Mt. Carmel (Leake), Lena (Leake), Hopewell (Scott), Summerland (Smith).

Added this week: New Providence (Leake), Euclalubba (Lee), Baldwin, Chalybeate, Curtis Creek (Tippah).

Honor Roll No. 2

(These churches have obtained more than 50% of their "announcements.")

Corinth First, Arcola, East Salem (Greene), Clinton, Jackson First, Lexington, Fulton (Itawamba), Meridian 15th Ave., Midway (Lauderdale), Greenwood First, Holly Springs, Ripley, Grenada, Beulah (Attala), Bethany (Bolivar), Providence (Calhoun), Enterprise (Clarke), Bethesda (Lowndes), Collins, Elizabeth (Deer Creek), Providence (Grenada), Pocahontas, Yokena (Hinds-Warren), Sharon (Jasper), Mt. Oral (Jones).

Added this week: Anguilla, Sunrise (Leake), Emmanuel (Lebanon), Flora, Mt. Pleasant (Marshall), Kilmichael, Prospect (Perry), Pontotoc First, Briar Hill (Rankin), Sardis (Smith).

Helpers' Roll

(These churches have obtained from 1% to 49% of their "announcements.")

Antioch (Alcorn), Bear Creek (Attala), Canaan (Benton), Boyle, Bruce, Providence (Carroll), Amity (Chickasaw), Ackerman, Harmony (Clarke), Crystal Springs, Mt. Horeb (Covington), Belzoni, Hernando, Lucedale, Biloxi First, Jackson Griffith Memorial, Goodman, Bay Springs (Jasper), Calvary (Jones), Center Ridge (Kemper), Oxford First, Meridian First, Crooked Creek (Lawrence), Carthage, Hattiesburg First, Bissell (Lee), Itta Bena, Fair River (Lincoln), Canton First, Slayden (Marshall), Crosby (Mississippi), Center Hill (Monroe), Bluff Springs (Neshoba), Conehatta (Newton), Elim (Noxubee), Self Creek (Oktibbeha), Batesville, Brewer (Perry), McComb First, Ecru, Steen's Creek (Rankin), Marks, Forest, Magee, Lorena (Smith), Indianola, Friendship No. 2 (Tallahatchie), Coldwater, Whitten Town (Tippah), Old Ham (Tishomingo), Fayette (Union), Old Oak Grove (Union Co.), Tylertown, Ellison Ridge (Winston), Tillatoba (Yalobusha), Yazoo City, Mathiston (Zion), Concord (Adams-Franklin), West Corinth (Alcorn), Kosciusko First, Ashland, Cleveland, Calhoun City, Egypt (Chickasaw), Bethlehem (Choctaw), Quitman, Columbus First, Damascus (Copiah), Union Sr. (Covington), Greenville (Deer Creek), Eudora (DeSoto), Agricola (George), Leakesville, Hardy (Grenada), Gulfport First, Antioch (Hinds-Warren), Cruger, Escatawpa (Jackson), Prentiss (Jeff Davis), Ellisville, Blackwater (Kemper), Abbeville (Lafayette), Meridian Highland, Bethel (Lawrence), Friendship (Leake), Calvary (Lebanon), Plantersville (Lee), Morgan City, Columbia First,

Holland and poor, unhappy France? Covetousness.

Our own country has been guilty of the same sin, but, please God, we have paid for that ancient error, and that we shall not again commit it.

Byhalla, Aberdeen, Coldwater, Newton, Macon, Morgan Chapel (Oktibbeha), Starkville, Sardis, Beaumont (Perry), Summit, Algoma, Brandon, Clarksdale First, Raleigh, Drew, Friendship No. 1 (Tallahatchie), Fellowship (Tippah), Belmont, Zion Hill (Union County), Mt. Carmel (Winston), Coffeeville, Anding (Yazoo), Cumberland (Zion).

Added this week: Lucien, Hinkle Creek (Alcorn), Flat Rock (Benton), Duncan, College Hill (Calhoun), Houlka, Beulah (Choctaw), Shubuta, Gallman, Mt. Olive (Covington), Hollandale, Shady Grove (George), McLain (Greene), Biloxi Second, Edwards, Learned, Durant, Pascagoula First, Montrose (Jasper), Bassfield (Jeff Davis), Fairfield (Jones), Clear Creek (Lafayette), Daleville (Lauderdale), Monticello (Lawrence), Bethel (Leake), Glendale (Lebanon), Saltito, Schlater, Brookhaven, Columbia East, Potts Camp, Liberty, Amory, Oak Grove (Neshoba), Beulah (Newton), Shuqualak (Noxubee), Cortland, Corinth (Pearl River), Naville (Pike), Cherry Creek (Pontotoc), Antioch (Rankin), Darling (Riverside), Mendenhall, Fairview (Sunflower), Charleston, Tyro (Tate), Mt. Olive (Tippah), Fairview (Tishomingo), Union Church, Concord (Winston), Elam (Yalobusha), Black Jack (Yazoo), Eupora.

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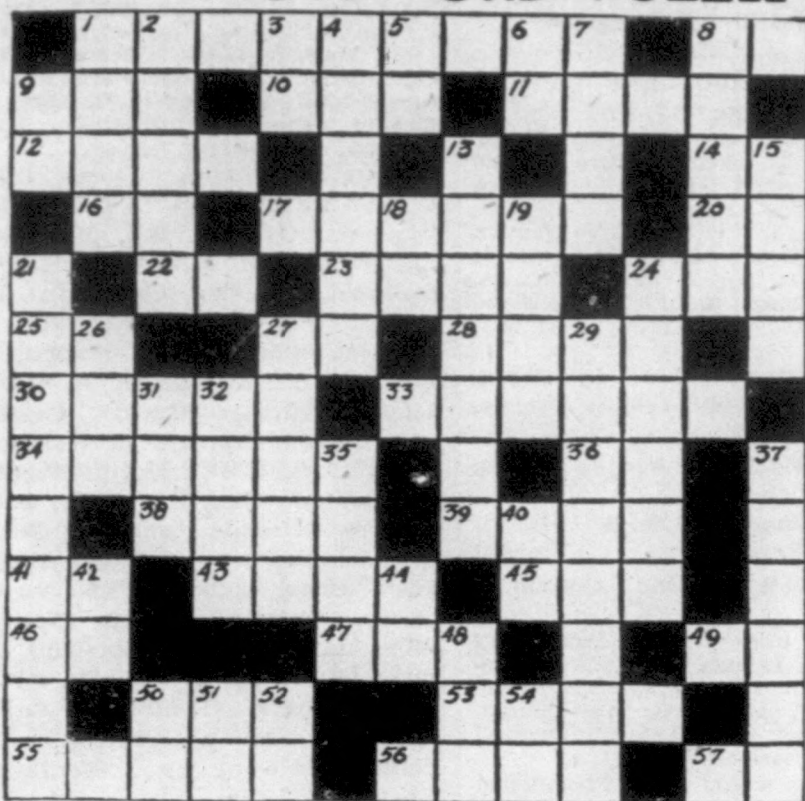
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OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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ETERNITY

ACROSS

- 1 "Before the . . . were brought forth" Ps. 90:2.
 - 8 "Thy kingdom is . . . everlasting kingdom," Ps. 145:13.
 - 9 "perish, . . . thou shalt endure," Ps. 102:26.
 - 10 "underneath are . . . everlasting arms," Deut. 33:27.
 - 11 "thou, . . . art most high for evermore," Ps. 92:8.
 - 12 Resound.
 - 14 Doctor.
 - 16 "that . . . should give eternal life," John 17:2.
 - 17 "this . . . must put on immortality," I Cor. 15:53.
 - 20 Left end (football).
 - 22 Egyptian sun god.
 - 23 Never (cont.).
 - 24 Small vegetable.
 - 25 And.
 - 28 "for the harvest of the earth is . . ." Rev. 14:15.
 - 30 "thy years . . . shall no end," Ps. 102:27.
 - 33 "His name shall . . . for ever," Ps. 72:17.
 - 34 Place in Judah, near Edom, I Sam. 15:4.
 - 36 Nickel.
 - 38 "they that hear shall . . ." John 5:25.
 - 39 Grandmother of Timothy, II Tim. 1:5.
 - 41 Right.
 - 43 "I am he that liveth, and was . . ." Rev. 1:18.
 - 45 Knight of St. Hubert (Bavaria).
 - 46 "without me ye can . . . nothing," John 15:5.
 - 47 Label.
 - 49 Greek letter.
 - 50 "even life . . . evermore," Ps. 133:3.
 - 53 "thou, O Lord, shalt endure as a thousand . . ." II Peter 3:8.
 - 56 "lay . . . on eternal life," I Tim. 6:12.
 - 57 ". . . know that no murderer hath eternal life," I John 3:15.
- Our text is 9, 10, 11, 30, 33, 50 and 53 combined.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

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- 1 "are forgiven, for she loved . . ." Luke 7:47.
- 2 "where is any . . . that may save thee," Hos. 13:10.
- 3 New Testament.
- 4 "Thy . . . is established of old," Ps. 93:2.
- 5 Same as 27 across.
- 6 North latitude.
- 7 "gain the whole world, and lose his own . . ." Matt. 16:26.
- 8 Muddle.
- 9 "If I . . . wicked, woe unto me," Job 10:15.
- 13 "And I give unto them . . . life," John 10:28.
- 15 "shall of the Spirit . . . life everlasting," Gal. 6:8.
- 18 Second note in scale.
- 19 Dry.
- 21 "thousands years in thy sight are but as . . ." Ps. 90:4.
- 24 "not . . . but have eternal life," John 3:15.
- 26 ". . . Lord shall reign for ever," Ps. 146:10.
- 27 "behold, I am . . . for evermore," Rev. 1:18.
- 29 "be . . . with everlasting destruction," II Thess. 1:9.
- 31 "thy dominion endureth through . . . generations," Ps. 145:13.
- 32 "Of old has thou . . . the foundation of the earth," Ps. 102:25.
- 35 "life more than . . ." Matt. 6:25.
- 37 "The eternal God is thy . . ." Deut. 33:27.
- 40 Correct.
- 42 "from everlasting . . . everlasting, thou art God," Ps. 90:2.
- 44 Danish.
- 48 George.
- 50 Fourth note in scale.

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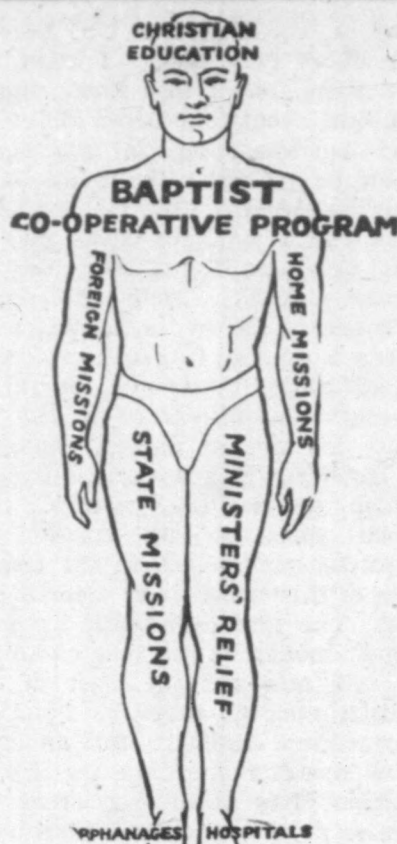
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CO-OPERATION AND
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I know of no finer illustration of co-operation and co-ordination than the human body. To get the best results, every member of the body must function in perfect harmony with every other member. When any member or group of members of the body fails to function in co-operation with the other members, we are headed for trouble, for sickness and, maybe, death.

My body is a unit composed of many members each having its specific work to perform. It requires the combined and co-ordinated efforts of all these different members to keep me in health and strength that will enable me to do the work the Lord has committed to me.

It does not require a sage to see the relation of this principle to the Baptist Co-operative Program. The one idea we desire to get over from the above picture is the fact of the vital unity of the Co-operative Program. Each of the causes included in it is a vital part of the whole. These different agencies and institutions have their particular work to do. They are not antagonistic to each other. It requires all of them to make up our full rounded Baptist program. If one suffers, all suffer. If one is honored, the Lord is honored and our whole program is set forward.

The Co-operative Program, which is less than a quarter of a century old,

- 51 "Under two . . . three witnesses," Heb. 10:28.
- 52 Recording secretary.
- 54 Vice lieutenant.

has done much to unify our Baptist work throughout the South and to stabilize it. It is now a strong, stalwart young man working for the Lord in the three fields of service in which He operated: preaching, teaching healing. Let's provide him with the necessary nourishment to do his best work.

—BR—

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Mantee: Sunday, November 21, was a good day. The offering for the Orphanage was \$40.00.—Leroy Boland, pastor.



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CHINA AND HER PEOPLE
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temple in his honor. This temple was the beginning of the Confucian temples which are now to be found in every city in China.

Confucius was unquestionably one of the world's greatest moral teachers, and his negative golden rule, "What you do not wish done to yourself, do not to others," is known to all the Chinese. He never pretended to be more than a man, and never dreamed of temples where the people would worship him. His one purpose in life was to make people happy and good. He never intended to establish a world religion. When his followers enter any one of the one thousand five hundred and sixty temples in China, all worship in idolatry; prayer has no place in the system for the forgiveness of sins. In fact, there is no comprehension of sin.

Buddhism

The Buddhist religion is second to Confucianism in the life of the Chinese. It was brought to China from India in the year 66 A. D. at the request of the Chinese emperor. Dr. Arthur H. Smith very clearly states the doctrines of Buddhism when he says: "The essential doctrines of Buddhism are the vanity of all material things, the supreme importance of charity, and the certainty of rewards and punishments by means of the transmigration of souls. Its adaption to Chinese needs arose from its supplying the vacancy due to the cold and heartless morality of Confucianism and the gross materialism of Taoism. Its success was remarkable. The government invited Buddhist missionaries from India to teach Buddhism, to translate their sacred books, to build beautiful temples, to cast immense idols, and to paint lovely pictures of Buddha on the doors of the homes of the people."

While the books of Confucius are the sacred books with the Chinese, and the ones taught in all their schools, yet the Buddhist books are far more numerous.

Taoism

Taoism as a philosophy originated from the writings of Las Tzu, who was born in Honan Province, China, in the year 604 B. C. He was one of China's most profound thinkers, a great teacher, but like Confucius, did not claim to be a saint, and it was seven hundred years after his death that Taoism ceased to be only a philosophy, and became a religion as well. It was then that he was declared to be a god, and a temple erected in his memory. It is a system of religion which has gathered into it all the ancient superstitions of China. Witchcraft is taught, the dread of the fox spirit is kept before the people, mediums to communicate with the dead are practiced, evil spirits are expelled, and many other superstitions practiced. Taoism has degenerated year by year until today it is simply a cult of magic.

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THE ENDURING WORLD
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which was the largest in any year since 1931. There was no report from the Philippines, from Thailand, from Manchukuo or Japan in all of which countries, however, it is believed, some circulation continued. The Society's distribution in China of 500,838 volumes, mostly portions as in normal years, although only a fraction of the circulation before the war, exceeded that of any other foreign country. The eagerness of the Chinese people under the leadership of their consecrated Chinese president and his wife, constitutes one of the most hopeful signs in the present dark world.

To meet the peculiar demands created by the war the Bible Society has established a special emergency fund from which it has been able since July, 1940, at a cost of almost \$600,000, to supply more than 3,750,000 Bibles, Testaments and portions to the men of our armed forces, more than two-thirds of these freely given through the chaplains of the army and navy. Over a million of the Testaments specially designed for the service men and women have been purchased at cost price for them by their churches and friends.

Another notable war service which the Society has rendered from the start of hostilities has been the supplying of Scriptures to prisoners of war. Since July, 1940, over half a million volumes have been distributed in Germany, Italy and elsewhere in Europe in 34 different languages. The largest distribution in any one language has been the Russian. More recently the Society has distributed in this country through the chaplains of Axis prisoners-of-war camps and of Japanese relocation centers 20,000 Bibles, Testaments and Gospel portions. A chaplain in one of the camps of German prisoners in Tennessee recently wrote, "I wish you could have been present to see with what avidity these books were received by these prisoners of war. . . . I am here to tell you that Hitler has not succeeded in eradicating the hope of the Christian faith from the hearts of his people. . . ."

Through its office in Geneva, Switzerland, the Bible Society has been able to supply some Scriptures to France, Belgium, Italy, Poland, Hungary and elsewhere. When the war is over many of the nations of Europe will be virtually without Bibles and in others there will be very inadequate supplies. To meet these needs immediately the guns stop firing and transportation channels open, the American Bible Society, from its war emergency fund, is now in the process of publishing Scriptures in various European languages.

As a Biblical background for the war time program of meeting the world's demand for the Bible, the Society is suggesting a study of the Book of Isaiah, whose message was directed to a generation living in times not unlike our own. The Society has published 250,000 copies of the Book of Isaiah to sell at two cents a copy and has prepared for pastors sermon suggestions and a suggested list of daily readings from Isaiah for the month of December. The theme for the whole celebration is "The Enduring World."

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2. Continue NOW CLUB support.
3. Let every Mississippi Baptist and church give largely to JUNE offering.
4. Bring tithes and offerings to House of God.
5. Pray about this entire matter.

I
In working up our 1944 Calendar of Activities the 100 M Club was conspicuous by its absence. For the first time in years it is not included. WHY? Because Southwide debts will have been paid! All the eighteen S. B. C. States got behind this movement and "put it over."

NOW ALL Mississippi Baptists need to get behind the NOW CLUB for the payment of Mississippi Baptist Convention debts, and MAKE 1944 the last year for Now Club emphasis. The Now Club should not have to appear among us AFTER 1944. "What a day of rejoicing that will be!"

II
Mississippi Baptists during 1944 need to concentrate on two things in debt paying.

First, we need to keep whittling away at those \$156,500 bonds outstanding. We call \$104,000 of them December first.

Second, we need to clear that \$25,000 note at the bank.

Our big task of repaying borrowed monies as a Convention will then be complete.

THEN the income will start flowing along normal New Testament lines to His institutions.

WHAT A BLESSED DAY!

TWO CORRECTIONS

In reading the reports of our recent Convention as printed in The Commercial Appeal I regret to find two inaccuracies and shall appreciate it if you will allow me to make the needed corrections.

Of the resolution concerning a memorial to Dr. M. O. Patterson the article states, "The proposal of a campaign . . . was approved," whereas the report from Jackson read, "The proposal to raise \$100,000 . . . was approved but no time for the proposed effort was designated." In other words, the entire matter was left indefinite as to time and procedure.

Another omission was in the paragraph covering the recognition of Brother Wilds' splendid 25-year service. The Jackson report read, "and a handsome check contributed by the Training Unions of the State . . ." etc., all of which was omitted.

H. L. MARTIN.

Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on Page Twelve.

1. (Paul's first answer): This phrase, "first answer," can be translated to mean "at my first defence," to which "all men forsook me," meaning that none of them appeared in his defence.

2. (Three Temples): (1) Solomon's Temple, built about 970 B. C. (2) Zerubbabel's Temple, B. C. 534; and (3) Herod's Temple, built 20 B. C.

3. (Synoptical books): They are Matthew, Mark and Luke, and were so called because they were a synopsis or summary of Christ's public teaching and works.

4. (Roof broken up): In Mark 2, verse 4, we read "uncovered the roof where he was; and when they had broken it up," etc., they let their friend down through the hole. "Broken up," in the Greek translation means "dug through or dug out." The roof was flat and formed of light poles or brushwood covered with gravel or earth, which had to be dug away and the poles pushed aside to let the paralytic down.

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FOR LAYMEN ONLY

F. V. McFatridge
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Do you wish that your pastor would preach upon a fresh theme occasionally? Or that he would approach and deal with the old theme in a different way? Do you wish that he would use a new and fresh illustration rather than the "preachers' stories" that you have heard over and over until they are threadbare? He is a good, earnest, consecrated, spiritual man, and you like him, but you'd like to hear a sermon that was new, fresh, provocative of thought. Did you ever look at your pastor's library? Maybe he hasn't even the standard helps he ought to have for independent Bible study. Maybe he hasn't bought a new book since he finished school. Perhaps he has bought a few, but they are the sort he got off the bargain table. He is not altogether to blame. It may be that his salary has always been bare, or not quite adequate for his mounting expenses . . . the expense of maintaining a car, that he is not able to own, but that he must have to make his appointments and visit his flock. Probably he has saved money to buy books, and Johnny had to have his tonsils removed, or Jane wants a new pair of shoes like the other girls are buying, or his wife's coat looks shabby, or a tire blew out. He doesn't complain, because the folks are good to him. They give him a shower occasionally, of canned goods, sweet potatoes, and other food; bring him butter, and eggs, sausage and spare-ribs in season . . . but he never seems to have the money to buy the books he needs.

Books are the tools of the unashamed workman in the gospel ministry. Paul, writing to Timothy from his Roman prison, mentions his cloak, "and the books," but especially the parchments—the scriptures. Dr. B. H. Carroll in his "Interpretation of the English Bible," drew from a varied field of literature, great classics, work of historians, poets, ancient and modern works of fiction, as well as theological and philosophical works.

Every preacher needs to have at his command a good and growing library. The minister today, no matter where his field of labor is, deals with people who are widely read, who are interested in a multitude of things, and who are disturbed, perhaps, in their thinking by one or more of the false religions and dangerous philosophies. If the preacher is altogether ignorant of these things, because his reading is confined to his denominational paper and the newspapers, he is greatly handicapped. Reading of books prevents a preacher from "going to seed" on one theme, and repeating himself over and over, no matter what his text.

I do not mean, necessarily, books of preaching material directly, and I certainly do not mean books of sermon outlines. Nor do I mean books of sermon illustrations. The preacher's sermon material comes from The Book, and the best illustrations are his own, drawn either from experience, observation, or reading in general.

The preacher needs, of course, a few standard helps to Bible study, a good Bible dictionary, Young's Analytical Concordance, at least one good commentary, and a good work

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Austin Crouch, Executive Secretary, reports receipts for October amounting to \$339,016.38. Of this amount Mississippi contributed \$16,098.15; \$10,814.97 was for the Cooperative Program, \$3,421.80 was designated and \$1,861.38 was for the Hundred Thousand Club. Dr. Crouch also reports that receipts so far this year total \$3,498,023.40, which is an increase of \$873,106.48.

Dr. Kenneth S. Latourette, professor at Yale University and a member of the Board of the Foreign Missions Society, says: "Those who call themselves Christians and yet do not wish all others to be Christians are confessing the insecurity of their own faith. A church that is not dreaming in terms of presenting the gospel to all men is tacitly admitting that it has no message for any man."—Watchman-Examiner.

of systematic theology (either Mullins or Conner). He needs also a good English dictionary, and Roget's Thesaurus.

But he needs also the sort of books that will deepen his thinking and broaden his outlook.

Someone has paraphrased Solomon's statement about books to read: "Of the making of fool books there is no end." That is true in the field of religious literature as in other fields. One can probably waste as much money buying books indiscriminately as by any other method. In general two cautions are to be observed. First, who published it? Anybody can get any sort of a book published if he will pay the cost of publication. A worthy book can find a reputable publishing house that will produce it. Second, who wrote it? Usually on the title page, something is given that identifies the author.

Here, then, is my suggestion to laymen (and the good women): Why not give your pastor a book shower this Christmas? Several considerations move me to make this suggestion at this particular time: (1) The preachers need as never before the ability to attract people to the house of God by his preaching. People's outlook is being broadened by the world-shaping events that are taking place. Books will help the preacher keep up with the thought of the world, religious, political, economic and social. (2) Money is more plentiful, because of higher wages, increased production and the inability to buy the things we once bought. (3) Books are one commodity that have not advanced in price, especially the standard works. (4) This is one form of gift in which the givers themselves will benefit directly.

There are two ways suggested: (1) Authorize a committee to select and purchase the books. Find out what books your pastor has, that there may not be duplications. The pastor in the county seat, or the nearest city can usually give good advice. (2) Deposit the money in your Baptist Book Store to the credit of the pastor. If you give him the money, no matter how honest his intentions, a tire may blow out, he will find the moths have eaten holes in his overcoat, or something will happen!

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THE CHILDREN OF THIS GENERATION ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THIS GENERATION

I met a man today who lost both parents in infancy. Every ambition of his life had met defeat because in his early life there was no one who would play the part of parents and give him the opportunities to which every body is entitled. He deserved my sympathy: I gave him a full measure of that because it was too late to do more for him. Then I fell to thinking of what would be the outcome of all this preparation for war on the part of all the great nations of the world. I thought of all the little children yet unborn who would be made orphans by the war. Then I reflected that all this was in the future and that the future would have to make provision for its own needy children.

While walking down the street this afternoon I met a little boy about eight years old. He was very poorly clad and his person was ill kept. I asked him where he went to school. He said he had never been to school. Then I inquired where he lived. He replied, "With my uncle." Both of his parents had died some years ago. Of course, I was moved with great pity for this lad and I said to myself, "This is my responsibility."

"Something can be done for him. The whole course of his life can be changed by placing him in the proper environment and giving him the proper treatment for the next few years." The next week he was placed in an Orphanage where he is now headed for a career of usefulness to society instead of being a charge to it. You and I must recognize our responsibility to such as this little boy (and there are many) and we must do something about it.—Epworth Orphanage Record.

SIXTY-FOUR PERCENT OF JUDSON STUDENTS ARE BAPTISTS

Marion, Ala., Oct. 31—(Special)—Judson College began its one hundred and fifth session in September, carrying on the traditions instilled through its continuous affiliation with the Baptist church. Dr. John Ingle Riddle, who was recently installed as the seventeenth president of the institution, has been prominent in church and Sunday school work for a number of years. He has been a regular contributor to the Baptist Sunday school magazine, "The Teacher," and has spoken often at the Southwide student assembly at Ridgecrest, N. C. Since coming to the presidency at Judson he has been a frequent speaker at church meetings over the state and at daily chapel service.

Sixty-four per cent of the Judson students are Baptists, with five other denominations being represented.

In addition to the chapel exercises, two other devotional services are held daily at the college. The morning watch, a brief silent prayer-meeting, is held before breakfast; the vesper services, every evening after dinner.

The department of religion at the college is directed by Dr. James A. Kirtley, a graduate of Georgetown College, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Vanderbilt University and Peabody College.

MARINE TAKES RELIGION WITH HIM

Somewhere in the Southwest Pacific—(Delayed)—28-year-old fighting veteran of the Guadalcanal campaign, Marine Gunner William Harris Shuman, Yemassee, South Carolina, has given Baptists "down under" a taste of "old time religion" as it is known down south, and has done much to cement friendly relations between the United States and her Allies in the South Pacific.

Gunner Shuman, whose home town is known to every marine who trained at Parris Island (S. C.) "boot" camp, has been active in church affairs all his life, and today is leader of American activities in one of the largest Baptist churches in this member of the United Nations.

"I have not let the war change my way of life," Gunner Shuman explained. "Wherever I go, the first person I look up is the pastor of the nearest Baptist church. If there is no Baptist church to be found, I go to another. If you like church work, it's in your blood, and you're not happy on the outside."

Gunner Shuman's enthusiasm, his devotion and his religious fervor, have found a ready response among his new friends in the area where he is serving with the marine corps. Baptists and members of other churches in the area, accustomed to a less personal and buoyant presentation of programs, have rallied to his meetings and often braved the worst sort of weather to give him a capacity crowd.

The Reverend Lawrence North, the local Baptist pastor, has sponsored Gunner Shuman, and believes that the contributions made by marines to the church in the Southwest Pacific will be felt for years to come.

"Hundreds of marines come to us," Reverend North said. "Gunner Shuman has taken the lead, but he is only one of many new friends we have found in our church."

He was one of the first marines to come to the Southwest Pacific with the declaration of war, and fought for two months on Guadalcanal. At Quantico, he drove the lead team in a six-horse caisson for military funerals for more than a year, and was for three years a member of the famous Horse Marines. He has represented the corps in horse shows in the Quantico-Washington area.

He comes from a family which includes several Baptist ministers. His father is a Baptist Sunday school superintendent and his eldest brother is a deacon. At Quantico, Gunner Shuman taught a Sunday school class at the post chapel, and was later active in the First Baptist Church at Long Beach. At San Diego, he successfully organized the "Marching Youth Bible Class."

Gunner Shuman intends to make the marine corps his career, but expects to continue his church work wherever he goes. Marines and their Allies "down under" have found it a real Southern Baptist camp meeting experience.

"Facing the World as Christians," is the title of the leading article in the December issue of The Baptist Student. The author is David E. Guyton, of Blue Mountain.